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CHICAGO SYNOD

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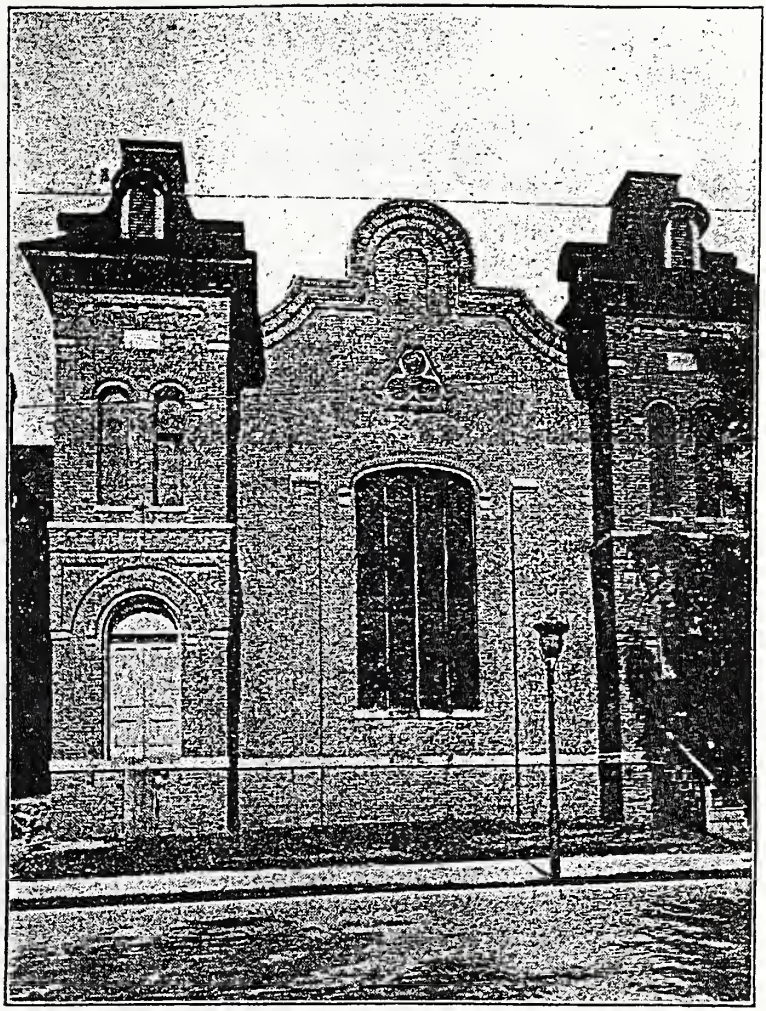
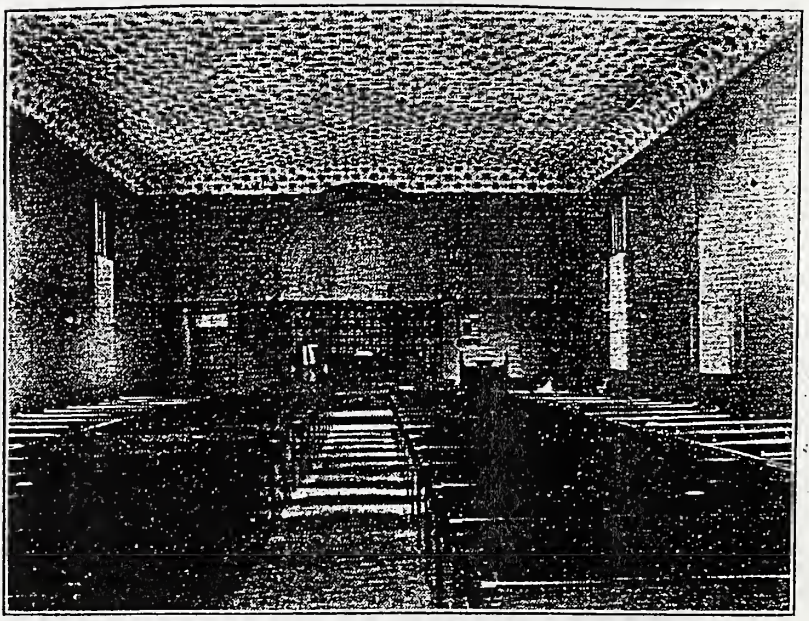


Exterior view of the Church in which the Convention was held

Rev. Elmer D. S. Boyer, Pastor



Interior view of the Church in which the Convention was held

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Opening Service

THE Thirty-fifth Annual Convention of the Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, was held in The Church of the Holy Trinity, La Fayette, Indiana, beginning June 21st, 1905, at 10:00 a. m. The convention began with the Confessional and Morning Services of the Church Book, followed by the Synodical Sermon by the Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., based on Matt. 16:3, last clause; and the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

After the Benediction, the President announced the names of the Committees on Credentials of Lay Delegates, and on Local Press.

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First Session

Church of the Holy Trinity, La Fayette, Indiana.
Wednesday, June 21, 1905, 2 p. m.

The devotional services were conducted by the Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D.

The President opened the first business session according to the Order of the Church Book.

The welcome of the city of La Fayette was extended to the convention, by the mayor, Hon. Geo. R. Durgan. His words of welcome were responded to, by Rev. H. Peters, the President of Synod.

The Roll of Ministers was called, and the Committee on Credentials presented the list of lay delegates.

Roll of Ministers

	Name	Ordained	Parish	Address
1	A. V. House	1864	No Charge	Arcadia, Indiana
2	S. Wagenhals, D. D.	1868	Fort Wayne	Fort Wayne, Indiana
3	Prof R F Weidner, DD,LLD,ae	1873	Professor	1311 Sheffield ave., Chicago
4	Hiram Peters, D. D.	1873	Decatur	950 N. Main st.,Decatur, Ill
5	Prof. G. H. Gerberding, D.D.	1876	Professor	1315 Wavelandave.,Chicago
6	Polycarp C. Wike	1886	Colburn	Colburn, Indiana
7	William J. Finck	1887	Anderson	Anderson, Indiana
8	D. L. Reese	1889	Whitestown	Lebanon, Indiana
9	W. L. Hunton, Ph. D.	1889	Holy Trinity	586 La Salle av., Chicago
10	A. L. Bolick	1891	Nappanee	Nappanee, Indiana
11	H. M. Martens	1892	E.Germantown	E. Germantown, Indiana
12	A. C. Anda	1894	Field Secretary	414 Potomac av., Chicago
13	Isaiah Whitman	1896	Wallace	Wallace, FountainCo., Ind
14	Austin D. Crile	1897	Wicker Park	81 Le Moyne st., Chicago
15	Luther Hogshead	1897	Goshen	617 So. 6th st., Goshen Ind
16	Wm. Brenner, r.	1897	South Bend	South Bend, Indiana
17	M. E. Boulton	1898	Mishawaka	Mishawaka, Indiana
18	H. J. Mathias, r.	1898	Newberry	Newberry, Indiana
19	Harry B. Reed	1899	St. Peter's	944 Le Moyne st., Chicago
20	Zenan M. Corbe(t.)	1899	St. Mark's	1223 Addison st., Chicago
21	Alonzo H. Arbaugh	1899	Frankfort	Frankfort, Indiana
22	Wm. C. Miller, r.	1899	Christ	491 Townsend av., Detroit
23	Theodore Weiskotten	1900	Syracuse	Syracuse, Indiana
24	J. C. Dietz	1900	Alexandria	708Minn.av.AlexandriaInd
25	George F. Dittmar	1901	Rochester	Rochester, Fulton Co., Ind
26	M. E. Haberland	1901	St. Luke's	1470 N.Francisco av., Chgo
27	Joel R. E. Hunt	1901	St. John's	1110 E. 59th st., Chicago
28	S. D. Myers	1902	Vandalia	Vandalia, Illinois
29	William J. Seiberling	1902	Mulberry	Mulberry, Indiana
30	John V. Sappenfield	1902	Claremont	Claremont, Ill., R. F. D. 3
31	J. A. Miller	1902	St. Paul's	61Breckenridge st.,Detroit
32	Paul W. Roth, a. e.	1903	Elgin	434 Chicago av., Elgin, Ill
33	Paul J. Gerberding	1903	St. Matthew's	2516 WHarrison st.Chicago
34	L. P. Peuce	1903	Atonement	6936 Bishop st., Chicago
35	Rlmer D. S. Boyer	1904	Lafayette	510N.10th st.,LafayetteInd
36	Lloyd W. Steckel	1904	Logan Square	1410 N. Central Pk., Chgo
37	Jno. Knauer	1904	Gila and Olney	Newton, Ill., R. F. D.4
38	L. J. Baker, r.	1905	Epiphany	303 Oakley Blvd., Chicago

a. Absent. e. Excused. r. Received during year.

Roll of Lay Delegates

Name	Parish	Residence
C. T. A. Anderson	Holy Trinity	167 Dearborn St., Chicago
Chas. Nielsen	Wicker Park	720 W. North Av., Chicago
John L. Reuter	Humboldt Park, 100 Washington St.,	Chicago
G. J. Leaders	St. James'	Chicago, Ill.
L. J. Baker	Epiphany	303 Oakley Blvd., Chicago
Edward Valbracht	St. Luke's	Chicago, Ill.
A. W. Ackemann	Elgin	Elgin Illinois
Chas. White	Aurora	Aurora, Illinois
G. E. Dieckmann	Vandalia	Vandalia, Illinois
M. L. Deck	Decatur	Decatur, Illinois
John Fritchle	Claremont	Claremont, Illinois
F. M. Smiley	Goshen	Goshen, Indiana
Jacob Hepler	Nappanee	Nappanee, Indiana
Marion Cline	Whitestown	Whitestown, Indiana
John Garman	Mulberry	Mulberry, Indiana
Luther Zirkle	Colburn	Colburn, Indiana
B. F. Wert	South Bend	South Bend, Indiana
A. M. Sappenfield	Corydon	Corydon, Indiana
M. Rudisill	Wallace	Wallace, Indiana
J. F. Eberlein	Mishawaka	Mishawaka, Indiana
C. Hildebrand	Frankfort	Frankfort, Indiana
Joel E. Bond	E. Germantown	Millville, Indiana
Jas. Bauer	La Fayette	La Fayette, Indiana
Chas. Wann	Hicksville	Antwerp, Ohio

Applicants for the Ministry

The following students of Theology were in attendance, and were granted the privilege of the floor:

L. J. Baker, Chicago, Illinois.
Chas. White, Aurora, Illinois.
Andrew M. Sappenfield, Corydon, Ind.

Visiting Ministers

During this convention, the following ministerial brethren were present, and were granted the privilege of the floor:

H. J. Mathias, Newberry, Indiana.
Wm. Brenner, South Bend, Indiana.
Wm. C. Miller, Detroit, Michigan.
Geo. Drach, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The President's Report

Church work is preeminently a work of faith. While there is that in the Church which is visible, tangible, material and human, there is that also which is invisible, immaterial, spiritual and Divine. There is at work in her, continually and principally, an invisible Christ, an intangible Holy Ghost and the unseen powers of a world to come. In dealing with these imponderables, which make for righteousness and well-being, we walk by faith, not by sight! Church work is differentiated from all other kinds of work by the drafts which it makes upon faith. It is always, everywhere, and all-through, a work of faith. And it will never cease to be so, as long as we live, or the Church shall live. That which is visible, palpable, before our eyes, in the church, is not her full and proper measure. All merely human, material, commercial standards, applied to her are notoriously false, misleading, unjust and unequal. She is not to be measured alone by time, space, and numbers, although she may, and does excel in all these measurements. The Divine element, which is ever present in her, and at work, is the controlling factor, and must be reckoned with in all her life and movements. Without it, we can do nothing and worse than nothing. This Divine energy, as it runs through all true Church work, and indeed through all that is truly Christian, can only be grasped, made available and effective by faith. As Church workers, we are to be men of faith as well as of power, of love, and of a sound mind.

It is evident therefore, that this intense craving for actual results, which we see, the piling up of numbers and statistics, of wealth, of grand and imposing superstructures, this intense greed of grain in outward things for effect and show, intensified as it all is by the fierce competitive spirit which characterizes our American Church life—is not of faith, but of sight, if not of sin. To have the biggest church, to have the richest church, to have the finest church, is not always to have the best church. Men may think so, but God may not think so.

With the spirit of faith controlling us, our Church work will become the widest kind of work going on in the world. All things are possible to him that believeth, because with God all things are possible. Faith as a grain of mustard seed, will remove mountains. It is a venturesome spirit. It is ever seeking new worlds to conquer. It hears of new lands untrod, and like Columbus, it launches out into the unknown deep. Not that it is a blind, foolish and reckless

spirit. It waits for the word, the Divine indication, the leading of Divine Providence, the Divine call and commission, but then, like Abraham, it ventures abroad, not knowing what the end or outcome will be. Faith is the very heart and core of the missionary spirit.

It is just because church work is such a work of faith and not of sight, that we become so discouraged at times in it. We always want to see and know, where it is given us only to believe. Like all other mortals, we want to see results. We teach, and preach, and pray, and labor, and have patience, oftentimes, and yet seem to affect nothing. All things seem to continue as they were from the beginning. And our agonizing prayers go up, "Lord give us to see the fruits of our labor before we go hence," "Give us the seals of our ministry." When we are compelled to complain sometimes, and say, "Master we have toiled all night and have taken nothing," and we again hear the Lord's command: "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a draught," it takes a good deal of faith to say in response, "Nevertheless at thy word we will let down the net." But it is such faith which gains the victory, and achieves the vast results. And these results come in the morning after the night of toil. "Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace." Such is the Lord's work put into our hands to do. On our part, it is the work of faith; on the Lord's part, it is the gift of his power and grace. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord; for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

We meet together in Synodical capacity again to cast up our gains and losses during the past year, and to lay out our work and take our bearings for the coming year. God has been good to us during the past year. He has been with us and that to bless. He has not answered all our prayers, but sufficient to inspire us to continue our invited prayer to him; "Let thy work appear unto thy servants, O Lord, and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it."

He has graciously spared the lives of all of our brethren in Synod. No brother is absent from roll-call here today, because God has transferred him to glory, to answer the roll-call of those whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life. A few will not answer to their names here today, because they have chosen new fields of labor outside of our Synodical bounds. But the names of others will be added at this meeting to take their places, and our Synodical roll will re-

main practically the same. We are compelled to record quite a number of pastoral changes as in the former years. The mission work on our own territory, both by our own board, and that of the General Council has been extended, and quite a number of new congregations will apply for admission to the Synod, viz.: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Epiphany, Chicago, Ill., Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Aurora, Ill., Christ Ev. Lutheran Church, Detroit, Mich., and Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Austin, Ill., adding about two hundred to our communicant membership. About the usual number of corner-stone layings, dedications of new churches, and improvement of old ones, have taken place during the year.

Installations

The following are the installations for the year with date, place, and by whom;

Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, Syracuse charge, June 12, 1904. Rev. W. L. Hunton Ph. D.

Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Claremont charge, July 10, 1904. Rev. A. L. Boliek.

Rev. Herbert Martens, E. Germantown charge, July 24, 1904. Rev. Jesse Dunn.

Rev. L. W. Steckel, St. James', Chicago, August 7, 1904. President of Synod.

Rev. John Knauer, Gila charge, October 16, 1904. Rev. A. L. Boliek.

Rev. A. L. Boliek, Nappanee charge, May 14, 1905. Rev. T. F. Weiskotten.

Rev. Luther Hogshead, Goshen charge, May 28, 1905. Rev. H. J. Reed.

Resignations. Calls Accepted. Removals

Under date of Sept. 21, 1904, Rev. Luther Hogshead informed me. that he had accepted the call from the Goshen charge, and would begin his labor there Dec. 18, 1904.

Under date of Dec. 9, 1904, Rev. Geo. P. Kabele informed me that he had about completed agreement to take up mission work in Chicago, in behalf of the General Synod, which would necessitate his connection with the Synod of Northern Illinois. He asked me, therefore, to forward him his letter of dismissal to that body. After some hesitation and further correspondence, I sent him his letter under the date of Dec. 24, 1904.

Under the date of Jan. 23, 1905, Rev. Wm. Eckert informed me, that he had received and accepted a call from Racine, Wisconsin, and would remove shortly to his new field, and asked for his letter to the Synod of the North-West. I sent him his letter under date of Jan. 26, 1905.

Under date of February 2, 1905, Rev. A. L. Boliek informed me that he had accepted the call from the Nappanee charge, and would begin his labors there April 1, 1905.

Under the date of April 24, 1905, Rev. H. J. Mathias of Lincolnton, North Carolina, informed me that he had accepted the call from the Newberry charge, and would enter upon his duties there June 1, 1905. Under date of May 13, 1905, he sent me his letter of honorable dismissal from the Tennessee Synod, and assured me that he would be present at this meeting and connect himself with us.

Under date of April 29, 1905, Rev. Jesse Dunn informed me, that he had accepted work within the bounds of the Pittsburg Synod, and asked for a letter of dismissal to that body. I sent him his letter under date of May 2, 1905.

Under date of May 22, 1905, student L. J. Baker of the Chicago Seminary, and a graduate thereof, informed me that he had accepted the joint call extended to him by the General Council Home Mission Board, and Epiphany Mission, Chicago, and made application to be ordained at this meeting of the Synod. His application is in the hands of the Examining Committee.

Under date of May 29, 1905, Rev. William Brenner of The Dalles, Oregon, informed me that he was on the ground at South Bend Ind., having received and accepted the call from our Mission there. He has placed in my hands, his letter of dismissal from the Pacific Synod, and will apply for admission to this Synod at the present session.

Rev. Wm. C. Miller having been called to Detroit, Mich., as one of the missionaries of the Home Mission Board of the General Council, under the date of June 12, 1905, sent me his application to be received into this Synod. His application is in the hands of the Examining Committee for action.

Corner-Stone Laying and Dedication

The corner-stone of Grace Lutheran Church, Syracuse, Ind., Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, pastor, was laid Oct, 21, 1904. Rev. Dr. Gerberding and Rev. Jesse Dunn assisted the pastor on this occasion.

In less than three months afterwards, on January 15, 1905, this church was dedicated, the Mission Director Rev. W. L. Hunton Ph. D. officiating. A full descriptiou of this building will be giveu in the Report of the Mission Director.

On Oct. 23, 1904, I officiated at the corner-stone laying of St. James' Lutheran Church, five miles north-east of Olney Ill., in the charge of Rev. J. V. Sappenfield. I was assisted in this service by the pastor and Rev. John Knauer. The estimated cost of the building is $4,000. The Audience Room is 30x50 and the S. S. Room is 16x30. This church has not yet been dedicated.

It was my great pleasure to officiate at the dedication of the new St. Mark's Lutheran Church at Whitestown, Ind., Rev. D. L. Reese pastor, on January 29, 1905. The entire cost of this beautiful structure was $10,000; nearly $4,000 of this amount was raised on the day of dedication. Its dimensions are 48x70 feet, with a seating capacity of 400. It is completely finished and handsomely furnished, and was dedicated entirely free from debt. The brethren present and taking part in the services, morniug, afternoon and night, were the pastor, and Rev. W. J. Seiberling and Rev. A. H. Arbaugh.

The corner-stone of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Detroit, Mich., Rev. J. A. Miller pastor, was laid on Jan. 29, 1905. Rev. A. C. Anda, Field Secretary of the General Council, officiating. It is now approaching completition, aud will be dedicated some time in July or August.

Vacancies

Notwithstanding the vacancies left over from last year, and those which have taken place on account of pastoral changes during the year just closing, only two remain to be filled at the present time.

The pastorate of the Corydon charge is still vacant. But these people, so far removed from the center of Synodical activity, are being happily supplied by student Andrew Sappenfield during the summer vacation.

The Hicksville charge has been vacant since the middle of December, and is somewhat discourged on account of several calls ex-

tended, but declined. This charge is somewhat hard to fill, on account of the severe physical labors involved in serving it at the pace set by its former pastor. But there must be a good man somewhere in the Church for Hicksville. Let us pray that he may speedily be found.

Educational Work

The General Council, at its last meeting in 1903, adopted this recommendation of its Committee on Education: "That the General Council ask every Synod to request each of its congregations to institute a week-day Christian Kindergarten in its midst, in addition to the usual Sunday School". As far as I have learned, only one of our congregations has acted on this advice, and that one is our mission at South Bend, Ind. Last summer, after the common schools had closed, the pastor with his wife began, and continued for three months, such a school in the church at South Bend. Two days in the week, and two hours in the day, from 9 to 11 o'clock were utilized for this purpose. Bible reading responsively, by the whole school was the work of the first hour. Then a short recess, after which the older part of the school underwent a review and examination on the previous lesson by the pastor, while the smaller children, in a separate room, were taught by means of charts, by the pastor's wife. Who will say that some such kind of work is not needed to supplement the meagre work of the Sunday school? Why should not this one example be followed by others? We speak of this lovely instance, not only for its own sake, but also to add interest to the whole question referred to us by the General Council, and which will be brought out in the paper to be read to us on "Christian Education".

A Vital Point

I think that the department of our Synodical work, in which our growth as a Synod is most vitally bound up at the present time, and also for the future, is the education of young men for the ministry. We have now only three or four young men on our funds for this purpose, and none of these are available just now, as regular pastors. We have not a single student of our own, out of the class which graduated at the Seminary this year. It is on these that we must mainly rely for the necessary supply of Pastors, for our old and new charges. But they are not forthcoming. We begin already to feel the lack, and we will feel it still more deeply from year to year. With

the Chicago Seminary on our own territory, this deficiency is to be still more deeply deplored. The cry from our vacant parishes is coming up, "Send us a man from the Chicago Seminary". These are the men we need, and which our people are coming to desire and appreciate. It is only our own students which we can claim and secure, as a general rule. Other Synods will claim their own, as they come forth from the Seminary. We are deeply grateful, always, for the excellent men we are able, now and then, to get from other portions of the Church. But this savors too much of the process of robbing Peter to pay Paul. In the end, we must rely mainly upon our own men, reared up in our own congregations, educated at our own Seminary, and imbued with our own spirit, to prosecute our own work on our own territory. Brethren, I ask your most prayerful attention to this vital point, which has been so forcibly pressed home to me, as I have endeavored to supply our vacant parishes with suitable Pastors, and in which, not only our present, but future welfare, as a Synod, is involved.

Conclusion

And now, brethren, the constitutional limit has been reached in my service as your presiding officer. I will not conceal the sense of relief which I feel, for great responsibilities are ever accompanied with fear and trembling, and great anxiety. The care of all the churches embraces all this, day and night, year in and year out. But that sentiment which is uppermost in my heart this moment, of surrendering the trust into more worthy and abler hands, is gratitude; gratitude for the honor you have thrice conferred upon me; for the confidence you have reposed in me as a brother, with at least good intentions, and which you make me feel that I still retain up to this hour; for the uniform and unfailing courtesy, deference, and allowance, which you have extended to me for three years. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for all this and much more.

And now, as we gird up our loins for the work before us, let us pray that the great Head of the Church, as the object which He loves above all else in the world, who is head over all things to His Church, and who Himself intercedes for us as He sits at the right hand of the Father and holds the reins of the universe in his hands, expecting that all things shall be put under Him, may reside over us, reside within us, and work through us, to His own greater glory. Amen.

H. PETERS.

The Report was received and referred to the Committee on President's Report.

Election of Officers

The President appointed Rev. D. L. Reese, Mr. G. E. Dieckmann and Mr. B. F. Wert as tellers.

The result of the election was as follows:

President The Rev. Luther Hogshead, Goshen, Ind.
Secretary, The Rev. H. B. Reed, Chicago, Ill.
Treasurer, The Rev. I. Whitman, Wallace, Ind.
Mission Director, (elected by the Home Mission Committee from its own membership) The Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., Chicago, Ill.

The invitation of the Retail Merchants' Association of La Fayette, to view the city and vicinity, by trolley-car, was accepted by Synod, for four o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Report of the Examining Committee

There appeared personally before your Committee, according to the requirements of the Constitution, the following named brethren, ordained ministers of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, with applications for admission into this body, to wit:

1. The Rev. William Brenner, regularly dismissed from the Pacific Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

2. The Rev. H. J. Mathias, regularly dismissed from the Evangelical Lutheran Tennessee Synod.

3. The Rev. William C. Miller, formerly connected with the Missouri Synod, and called by the General Council Home Mission Committee to the pastorate of a Mission in Detroit, Mich.

Your Committee recommend that by separate vote, each of these brethren be received and enrolled as members of this Synod.

There also appeared, as an applicant for ordination, Mr. L. J. Baker, a graduate of the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Chicago, Ill. He has satisfied your Committee of his fitness for ordination, both as to character and qualifications. He has been regularly called as pastor of Epiphany Church, Chicago,

III. We recommend that his application be granted, and that he be enrolled after his ordination, which shall take place at the morning service next Lord's day.

We would further suggest, that Rev. H. Peters be appointed to preach the ordination sermon.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

The Report was received; was adopted by items and as a whole.

The above named ministerial brethren were then introduced to Synod by the chairman of the Examining Committee, and were welcomed by the President.

The hours for opening and closing the daily sessions were fixed as follows: 8:00 to 11:30 for the morning; 2:00 to 4:30 for the afternoon, and 7:30 for beginning the evening service.

A paper on "Christian Education" was read by the Rev. Wm. J. Finck, of Anderson, Ind. The discussion of this subject was opened by the Rev. W. J. Seiberling, of Mulberry, Ind.

The President appointed the

Regular Committees

Credentials of Lay Delegates—Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Rev. P. J. Gerberding.

President's Report—Rev. Wm. J. Fink, Rev. J. C. Dietz, Rev. J. A. Miller.

On Protocol and Minutes—Rev. Wm. Brenner, Rev. L. P. Pence.

On Absentees—Rev. S. D. Myers, Rev. L. W. Steckel, Mr. Chas. Wann.

On Press—For The Lutheran, Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D.
For The Synodical Paper, Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D.
For The Local Press, Rev. Geo. F. Dittmar, Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D.

On Conference—Rev. M. E. Boulton, Rev. S. D. Myers.

Auditing Committee—Messrs. A. W. Ackemann, J. E. Dieckmann, Jno. L. Reuter.

The President also completed the

Standing Committees

Examination—Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. I. Whitman.

Home Missions—Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., Rev. A. C. Anda, Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Rev. P. C. Wike, Rev. Paul W. Roth, Messrs. C.T.A. Anderson, A. W. Ackemann, M. L. Deck, Chas. Nielsen.

Foreign Missions—Rev. S. D. Myers, Rev. D. L. Reese, Mr. J. Hepler.

Education—Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. H. B. Reed, Mr. M. F. Smiley.

Benevolence—Rev. A. L. Boliek, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Mr. B. F. Wert.

Discipline—Rev. W. J. Finck, Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Rev. H. Martens, Rev. P. J. Gerberding.

Reception of Congregations—Rev. M. E. Haberland, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Mr. G. J. Leaders.

Parochical Reports and Apportionments—Rev. M. E. Boulton, Rev. W. J. Seiberling, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh. Messrs. M. Rudisill, A. M. Sappenfield.

For work at this Convention the President appointed the following

Special Committees

On Report of Board of Colburn Academy—Rev. H. Peters, D. D., Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Messrs. A. W. Ackemann, C. T. A. Anderson.

Unification Plan of English Home Missions—Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D. Rev. H. Peters, D. D., Rev. P. C. Wike.

Synod adjourned at 4:30 o'clock being led in prayer by Rev. A. L. Boliek, Nappanee, Ind.

Second Session

Church of The Holy Trinity, La Fayette, Ind.,
June 22, 1905, 8 a. m.

The devotions were in charge of the Rev. H. Martens.

The roll was called.

The minutes of the First Session were read and adopted.

The discussion of the paper on "Christian Education", read on Wednesday afternoon, was resumed and continued until the hour of nine o'clock.

The Special Committee, appointed at the 1904 convention of Synod, to submit a Plan of Apportionment, made its Report. While this Report was under consideration, the hour for adjournment arrived.

Synod adjourned with prayer led by the Rev. I. Whitman.

Third Session

Thursday, June 22, 2 p. m.

The devotions were conducted by the Rev. L. W. Steckel.

The roll was called.

The minutes of Thursday morning's session were adopted as read.

The consideration of the Report of the Special Committee on Plan of Apportionment was resumed. After a lengthy discussion, the Report was rejected and the Committee discharged.

Report of the Board of Trustees of the Colburn Academy

This is the second report that the trustees of Colburn Academy bring to the attention of our Synod, and it sets another milestone in the educational course of this body. It is hoped that the course thus begun, will be continued into the distant future, with untold blessings to our Church and its people. Every beginning is necessarily small, but woe unto that which remains as small as it begins. The prophecy may be couched in a few words, but its fulfilment will cover many pages of history. So the record made by our Academy these first two years. is exceedingly brief, but that does not preclude the possibility of a magnificent future of usefulness.

There were twenty-three pupils enrolled during the past year; six in the Primary department, eight in the Grammar, and nine in the Academical. This number passed through a successful year, and the commencement exercises, though without the special flavor of many gradnates, were very satisfactory, and showed that the pupils are well advanced for their years. The tuition received, was insufficient to cover the expenses entailed in running the institution, even on the economical plan followed. At the meeting held by the Board in connection with the commencement exercises, the treasurer reported a deficit of $282.47, a part of which however was inherited from the preceding year. At the last meeting of the Board, held June 2, at La Fayette, it was found that this sum had fortunately dwindled down to $144.50. With the aid of the lovers of Christian education, this sum must be reduced to nothing.

The Board is very hopeful of a large future for the work entrusted to them. The outlook, though seemingly hemmed in by clouds, and a very restricted horizon, is to them exceedingly bright and promising. The members are convinced that the time for enlargement has come. The work demands wider opportunities for growth. This explains the following action of the Board:

Whereas, It is the sense of this Board that Colburn is not a suitable place for the enlargement of the educational work of Synod; and whereas, certain inducements have been made to the Board which we deem more fitting to meet the wider demands of the work; therefore be it

Resolved, That we recommend the following to the Synod:

1. That it is the sense of Synod that the time has come for the enlargement of its educational work, and that we therefore invest the Board of Trustees of Colburn Academy with power to move the Academy to a more suitable location, to be fixed by Synod, and to extend the course so as to include the studies usually pursued in a college.

2. That Synod take under consideration the various inducements offered for the future location of the School, and make, therefrom a selection at this convention of Synod.

The Board has the following inducements to lay before Synod:

Mulberry, Ind., June 21st, 1905.

To the Trustees of Colburn Academy:—

The following inducement is offered from the town of Mulberry, to locate proposed college here. To wit:

Ten acres of ground donated by Messrs. Daniel Rex, S. S. Ohl and Daniel Kiefer, and an endowment by one who wishes to withhold his name until said endowment is called for.

I hereby state that the above offers are substantial.

W. J. SEIBERLING.

La Fayette, Ind., June 22, 1905.

Mr. H. E. Glick, President Retail Merchants' Association, La Fayette, Ind. Dear Sir:—

We understand your Association is endeavoring to secure the location of a college in this city, by the English Lutherans, and as an inducement for them to locate here, we will make your Association the following offers:

First: If you can assure us that they will locate and maintain a college here, and will cause to be erected within one year from this date, buildings to cost ($50,000.00) Fifty Thousand dollars, we will deed to them, clear of all encumbrances, Ten (10) acres of land on South Ninth Street.

Second: On the same conditions; If they will cause to be erected buildings to the amount of One Hundred Thousand dollars ($100,000.00) in two (2) years from this date, we will deed to them Twenty (20) acres of land on South Ninth Street.

Third: On the same conditions; If they will cause to be erected, buildings to the amount of Two Hundred Thousand dollars ($200,000.00) in five years (5) from this date, we will deed to them Forty (40) acres of land on South Ninth Street.

Respectfully yours,

THE HIGHLAND PARK LAND COMPANY,

By Wm. Ross, Sec'y.

La Fayette, Ind. June 22, 1905.

To the English Lutheran Synod, now in session at La Fayette, Ind. Gentlemen:

On behalf of the citizens of La Fayette, and the Retail Merchants' Association, we take pleasure in confirming the very generous offer as made by the Highland Park Land Co. We consider the land (located adjacent to the valuable Highland Park addition, upon which $400,000.00 has been recently expended) a very valuable tract of ground, and should you at this meeting decide to accept said offer, we should like to call your attention to a few of the many advantages to be obtained by the location of your college in La Fayette, and we take this opportunity of inviting all visiting and home members of your Synod, to a car ride this afternoon, for the purpose of inspecting the grounds, and the many other points of interest, which we consider of superior advantage, and not to be obtained in any other city.

Very truly,

HARRY E. GLICK,

President La Fayette Retail Merchants' Association.

The members of the Board cherish the hope that Synod will consider these recommendations, and take prompt action on the same. The Board is powerless without further authority, which Synod must see fit to grant, in order that the Board may develop the work as here mapped out.

The Board has received from the Retail Merchants' Association of La Fayette, the above invitation for Synod to view the ground offered by the Association for a suitable location of the school of the future. In answer to the Association, the Board promised to lay this invitation before Synod at its earliest opportunity.

In regard to all locations offered, it might be said, that committees of the Board have visited them, and are prepared to give any necessary information.

Before closing this report, it is desired to make mention of the fact, that at its recent meeting, the Board adopted the Graded System of the General Council as the basis of its religious instruction.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. FINCK,
Sec'y of the Board.

The Report was referred to a Special Committee, constituted as follows: Rev. H. Peters, D.D., Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Messrs. A. W. Ackemann and C. T. A. Anderson.

At a subsequent session, this Committee offered the following Report which was adopted.

Report of Special Committee on Report of the Trustees of the Colburn Academy

First: We most heartily commend the work of the Colburn Academy, and place ourselves upon record, as in thorough sympathy with the methods and principles which have characterized its management.

Second: In view of our previous action, recorded in the Minutes of 1903, page 44, it is the sense of this Synod, that the ownership, control, development and policy of the School, are vested in the Board of Trustees, and not in the Synod.

Third: The Synod fondly hopes to see a Church College on, or contiguous to its territory at an early day.

Fourth: We heartily commend the efforts of the Board of Trustees to make such changes in location, curriculum and charter, which will raise the standard, and enlarge the influence of this worthy institution.

Fifth: We recommend that the Report of Trustees be spread upon the Minutes, as heretofore, and that the thanks of Synod be hereby extended to all who have by labor or gift, aided in the maintenance of the Institution.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

Rev. J. C. Dietz of Alexandria, Ind., read his paper on "The Particular Forms and Usages, more or less prevalent in the Lutheran Church, and the Importance to be attached to them."

The discussion of this topic was opened by the Rev. M. E. Haberland of Chicago.

Synod adjourned with prayer, led by the Rev. H. Peters.

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Fourth Session

Church of the Holy Trinity, La Fayette, Ind.,
June 23, 8 a. m.

The devotions were conducted by the Rev. P. C. Wike.
The roll was called.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

May 23, 1904 to June 12, 1905

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand at last report	$ 12	97
Offering at Synod for Beneficence	11	02
" " " Education	15	11
" " " Foreign Missions	13	90
" " " Seminary in Chicago	54	45
" " " Synodical Home Missions	39	32
For Rev. A. C. Anda's salary	65	25
" Colburn Academy	46	39
" Foreign Missions, Special	47	90
" Seminary in Chicago	90	61.
" Church Extension of the General Council	147	71
" Home Missions, " " "	64	82
" Synodical Home Missions, Special	9	00
" Works of Mercy	3	30
On Apportionments	3372	46
Total		$3994 21

DISBURSEMENTS

To the Seminary in Chicago	$ 145	06
" Beneficiary Education	300	00
" Church Extension of the General Council	147	71
" Home Missions " " "	65	82
" Colburn Academy	46	39
" Works of Mercy	14	32
" Rev. A. C. Anda's salary	57	25
" Synodical Expenses	310	92
" Foreign Missions	236	80
" Synodical Home Missions	2539	70
Cash on hand	130	24
Total		$3994 21

RECEIPTS IN DETAIL

May 23, 1904 to June 12, 1905

Parish	Congregation	Del'y	Appo't	Special	Total
Alexandria	Our Saviour	$ 7 32	$ 25 80	$	$ 33 12
Anderson	St. John's	20 00	35 00	4 75	59 75
	Mt. Zion's	5 00	14 00	.....	19 00
Chicago	Holy Trinity	.....	206 65	83 20	289 85
"	Wicker Park	88 30	301 75	.....	390 05
"	St. Mark's	.....	48 27	.....	48 27
"	St. James'	.....	25 80	.....	25 80
"	St. Matthew's	38 40	57 60	.....	96 00
"	St. Peter's	.....	81 25	30 00	111 25
"	St. Luke's	20 29	34 75	.....	55 04
"	St. John's	.....	69 60	8 00	77 60
"	Atonement	14 40	.....	.....	14 40
Claremont	St. James'	6 32	96 48	.....	102 80
	St. Paul's	.....	13 78	.....	13 78
Colburn	St. John's	.....	51 15	12 24	63 39
	Zion's	.....	39 60	15 40	55 00
	Bethel	3 09	19 35	4 06	26 50
Corydon	Mt. Solomon	.....	.....	22 75	22 75
Decatur	First English	.....	61 06	33 21	94 27
Detroit	St. Paul's	.....	.....	3 00	3 00
E. Germantown	Zion's	.....	9 50	.....	9 50
	St. Jacob's	13 27	18 75	3 31	35 33
	St. John's	1 71	22 95	.....	24 66
Elgin	Holy Trinity	.....	154 00	32 02	186 02
Fort Wayne	Holy Trinity	.....	500 00	50 00	550 00
Frankfort	St. Paul's	.....	64 64	.....	64 64
Gila	Union	9 10	72 00	.....	81 10
Goshen	First English	8 31	139 65	13 22	161 18
Hicksville	St. John's	10 15	40 00	8 08	58 23
	Lost Creek	11 25	50 50	4 40	66 15
	Zion's	.....	13 81	4 80	18 61
Lafayette	Holy Trinity	2 90	27 00	22 46	52 36
Mishawaka	First English	.....	25 15	.....	25 15
Mulberry	Zion's	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Fair Haven	.....	95 00	.....	95 00
Newberry	St. Peter's	.....	30 90	.....	30 90
	Mt. Zion's	.....	40 15	15 00	55 15
Rochester	St. Paul's	9 31	61 20	.....	70 51
	St. John's	10	21 60	.....	21 70
South Bend	Holy Trinity	2 44	40 84	.....	43 28
Syracuse	St. Paul's	.....	17 95	.....	17 95
	Grace	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nappanee	Emmanuel	.....	30 15	.....	30 15
	St. John's	9 91	25 93	3 30	39 14
Vandalia	St. James'	.....	91 00	25 00	116 00
Wallace	Phanuel	.....	73 40	10 87	84 27
	Emmanuel	.....	22 90	.....	22 90
	Philadelphia	.....	15 85	.....	15 85
Whitestown	Union	.....	10 80	.....	10 80
	Salem's	.....	78 75	.....	78 75
	St. Mark's	.....	54 75	1 50	56 25
	St. James'	.....	78 45	1 16	79 61
Aurora	Redeemer	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
Chicago	Epiphany	.....	.....	13 15	13 15

Of the fifty-two congregations in Synod, twenty-seven have paid their apportionment in full or overpaid. The following are delinquent to the amounts designated:

Alexandria, Our Saviour	$ 2	88
Anderson, St. John's	25	75
" Mt. Zion's	2	80
Chicago, Atonement	19	80
Claremont, St. James'	57	28
" St. Paul's	15	02
Colburn, Bethel	20	64
Corydon, Mt. Solomon	214	45
Decatur, First English	14	54
Detroit, St. Paul's	50	20
E. Germantown, St. John's	9	18
" " Zion's	149	96
Gila, Union	384	80
Goshen, First English	111	34
Hicksville, St. John's	10	49
" Zion's	7	04
Lafayette, Holy Trinity	10	20
Mulberry, Zion's	114	42
" Fair Haven	41	68
Nappanee, Emmanuel	10	20
Newberry, St. Peter's	19	95
Rochester, St. Paul's	7	34
Syracuse, Grace	19	80
Whitestown, Salem's	81	74
" St. Mark's	46	05
Total		$1447 55

The following amounts have been received since June 12, and are credited as follows:

South Bend, Holy Trinity	$ 1	81
E. Germantown, St. John's	22	95
Whitestown, St. Mark's	46	05
Syracuse, Grace	17	50
Goshen, First English	43	82
Anderson, Mt. Zion's	2	80
Detroit, St. Paul's	10	00

Vandalia, St. James'	23 22	
Decatur, First English	30 00	
Gila, Union	6 10	
Hicksville, Zion's	2 50	
Corydon, Mt. Solomon	3 00	
Nappanee, Emmanuel	10 20	
Decatur, First English	14 54	
Mulberry, Zion's	106 55	
" Fair Haven	8 90	
Colburn, Zion's	2 65	
Chicago, Atonement	19 80	
Whitestown, Salem	1 90	
Syracuse, St. Paul's	23 00	
E. Germantown, Zion's	15 00	
Total		$ 412 29

ISAIAH WHITMAN, Treas.

The Report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The following action, relative to delinquencies was taken:

Resolved: That the provision made by a former convention of Synod, providing for the cancellation of all delinquencies on apportionment, of congregations paying their apportionment in full, for the years 1903, 1904 and 1905, be allowed to those congregations which have paid their apportionment in full, for this period, within the ten days preceding this convention of Synod.

Hon. Chas. Landis was given the floor, and presented the advantages afforded by Delphi, Ind., as the seat of an educational institution.

Hon. Geo. D. Parks was granted the same privilege, and spoke in behalf of the city of La Fayette, Ind.

Rev. Wm. J. Seiberling presented the claims of Mulberry, Indiana.

The Report of the Home Mission Committee

A year of hard, and in the main successful work in our Home Missions is ended. While none will be transferred to the self-supporting list, all have made progress, and several give promise of being transferred to the list of parishes within a year.

If our people generally knew the difficulties, and sacrifices, necessary to found and bring to self-support our Western missions, there would be far more willingness than is manifest in contributing to maintain them. In proportion to numbers and means, we are doing the greatest mission work in the Lutheran Church in America, and when we consider that we are occupying the most fruitful mission territory in the United States, there is every incentive to attempt and execute still larger things, than we have yet dreamed of accomplishing. We have the field and the opportunity, may the Divine Spirit put us in the mind to occupy it.

The Committee has held four meetings during the year, reviewing carefully the work in the various fields, considering as well, some very important questions of method and principle, for the welfare of the work.

A Bird's-eye View of our Missions

ST. PETER'S, CHICAGO, Rev. H. B. Reed, Missionary, has had a trying, yet a fruitful year. Although facing special street assessments, and other extraordinary expenses, pastor and people manifest the heroic missionary spirit, and again ask a reduction in the appropriation from Synod. Missionary Reed says,—"We believe we can truthfully say that we have made true and substantial progress during the year, extensively and intensively. Our Church services have been better attended than ever before, averaging for the morning service, nearly 100. Our Sunday School has at times nearly touched the 300 mark in attendance, and has an enrollment of 342. We begin to feel the necessity of larger and better quarters, especially in making the most of our Sunday School work. Our present quarters moreover, are hardly a credit to us, as a church, and we can not but feel that were we better equipped, our influence in our rapidly growing and improving neighborhood, would be considerably more than what it is. But how shall we secure these much needed improvements? Oh, for the consecration of means, on the part of our membership, that would enable us to work without having to suffer continually from lack of funds. This constant stringency at times seems to sap

the vitality from our mission congregations." These words of our missionary have added significance, as they are an appendix to a request to reduce the appropriation. They reveal the spirit in which as a whole, our mission work is conducted, and the conditions under which it is struggling through difficulties to remarkable success.

ST. JAMES', CHICAGO, Rev. L. W. Steckel, Missionary, if we can judge from reports written and verbal, has made substantial progress, in numbers, finances, and above all spiritual life. A valuable and very desirable lot has been secured, and the long talked of and most necessary church is among the near future possibilities. Owing to the necessities of church erection, the congregation finds it absolutely necessary to request that the appropriation for this year be not reduced.

ST. MATTHEW'S, CHICAGO, Rev. P. J. Gerberding Missionary, reports its debt reduced to $100.00, and a gallery added to accommodate the growing Sunday School. New factories are bringing new families into the district, all of which is encouraging to pastor and people. St. Matthew's should rapidly approach the point of self support. St. Matthew's people and pastor were instrumental in opening St. Stephen's Mission, September 4th, 1904. The congregation asks the same amount of aid as last year. The Committee has recommended that it be granted, provided the mission increase the salary of the missionary.

THE CHURCH OF THE ATONEMENT, CHICAGO, Rev. L. P. Pence, Missionary, has made steady progress during the year. Under the advice of the Mission Director, a lot has been purchased, and effort is now concentrated on completing the payment of the same. A bare lot gives stability to the work, and with ground ample for a future church and parsonage, we anticipate the day when the Church of the Atonement will be a flourishing congregation, worshiping in a commodious church building. The lot is better than others in the vicinity which sold for $1200.00, and was secured for $950.00. It is necessary to continue aid as heretofore.

ST. STEPHEN'S, CHICAGO, was begun with special services in a Hall, 40th Ave. and Harrison St., Sept. 4th, 1904. The field was canvassed by Rev. P. J. Gerberding, and urged upon the Committee as "necessary and promising." Rev. Mr. Gerberding and St. Matthew's choir conducted the opening service. The mission was placed in the

care of the pastor of St. Matthew's; student H. F. Obenauf, being in charge. The work has not developed as rapidly as had been anticipated, but will be pushed during the coming year, and should demonstrate its value as a mission point. During the summer, student C. A. Naumann is the missionary in charge of the Sunday School, it being planned to have evening services, conducted by the city pastors, who will bring their choirs with them. It is hoped in this way to build up an attendance.

THE CHURCH OF OUR BLESSED SAVIOUR, ALEXANDRIA, IND., Rev. J. C. Dietz, Missionary, has had a trying year. The Missionary says,—"We are weaker numerically and financially now than at any time since I have been here. I have been preaching to a procession for the last two years. During the past year we lost 12 by removal and gained 1. This condition of affairs is owing to the fact, that the population of Alexandria has decreased about 3,000 in the past two years. This exodus has been principally among the factory people, of whom our congregation is composed." A class of 11 catechumens is preparing for Confirmation, and the pastor still has faith in the work, but unless new factories are brought to this place, the prospects are not encouraging. The Synod should know the facts; hence we state what we regret to note as the situation.

THE FIRST CHURCH, MISHAWAKA, IND., Rev. M. E. Boulton, Missionary, has made substantial internal growth during the year. With a floating debt of but $225.00, and modern church property worth about $15,000.00, there is evidence of material strength which will undoubtedly soon place the First Church among the parishes.

HOLY TRINITY, SOUTH BEND, IND., reluctantly accepted the resignation of its first pastor, Rev. William Eckert, who accepted a call to the Church of the Holy Communion, Racine, Wisconsin. The resignation was tendered Jan. 2nd, 1905. The importance and peculiarity of the field, and the strong personality of the retiring pastor, required great care and discrimination in the selection of a successor. Rev. Mr. Eckert's removal was a decided loss to our missionary forces. We believe we have been fortunate in the successor secured. Rev. William Brenner, of The Dalles, Oregon, accepted our call, and has been in charge since May 1. Favorable reports indicate that Rev. Mr. Brenner has grasped the situation, and Holy Trinity will continue to prosper under his care.

HOLY TRINITY, LA FAYETTE, IND., Rev. Elmer D. S. Boyer, pastor, is to-day our host. With this very comfortable rented home, and the valuable property, secured through the zeal and good judgment of the pastor, we see substantial proof of material growth. The sum of $2,337.35 has been raised for the mission during the year, and it now has property valued at $5,200.00. Holy Trinity, formerly Zion's church, is on a solid basis, and in a fair way to build up rapidly.

GRACE CHURCH, SYRACUSE, IND., Rev. Theo. F. Weiskotten, Missionary, has made rapid strides. Rev. Mr. Weiskotten began his ministry here, May 1st, 1904, and at once plans were laid for the long talked of church home. The fondest hopes of the people were more than realized, when on Jan. 15th, their beautiful new church was consecrated. The Church which is in Renaissance in its architecture, was designed by the pastor, who has proven himself a superior architect. It is built of Syracuse cement blocks, with double battlement towers, and has the appearance of a massive stone church. The furnishings, which include an excellent organ, a gift to the congregation, are complete, and of the best quartered oak. The windows are memorials of superior workmanship, wrought in the best of Cathedral glass. The church is a thing of beauty and cost about $7,000.00. Rev. Mr. Weiskotten supervised the entire work, and saved for the congregation, no small amount, in the construction. We take pleasure in placing on record the appreciation of the Committee and the Synod, of the zeal and skill with which the missionary has prosecuted this work.

ST. PAUL'S, BENTON, IND., Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, pastor, is planning to improve its place of worship. The congregation is showing good results, as the fruit of more frequent services. The Syracuse parish, while owing to the debt still resting on the Grace Church, Syracuse, needs the aid of Synod for the coming year, gives promise of returning to the list of parishes at an early day.

The strain of the work of church erection, has made the pastor feel the necessity of an extended vacation, which has been granted him. Meanwhile his work will be cared for by student F. W. Bussard, of the Chicago Theological Seminary.

OLNEY, ILLINOIS. St. Paul's Church, Rev. John Knauer, Missionary, was reorganised September 25th, 1904, by the Mission Director, at the request of the Mission Committee, and the pastor in

charge. The congregation reverted to the original consitution (General Council) and later adopted a set of by-laws prepared by the Director. We found the congregation much discouraged and scattered, and even now after a year's faithful labor by our missionary, the outlook is such as to lead us to question the permanency of the work. The Committee asks Synod to decide what shall be done for this field. The congregation voted to apply for re-reception into Synod.

WHEELER AND DIETRICH, ILLINOIS. These points have been investigated under the direction of the Committee, by Missionary Knauer. At the former place, a subscription is partly raised, and plans are now being prepared for a church, and at the latter, Rev. Mr. Knauer has held services, which were well attended, and he reports that the two points could be served together, and in connection with Gila, where he now lives. Shall these points be constituted a charge?

NAPPANEE, INDIANA. This parish, vacant for a year and a half, has suffered heavy losses, and because of the division of the parish, seemed unable to secure a pastor. At the urgent request of the President of Synod, and the two former pastors, the Committee presents their cause to Synod, having pledged for the coming year the sum of $100.00 toward the support of the pastor, Rev. Mr. Boliek, who accepted the call on the strength of this assurance. The appropriation is recommended for one year, with the understanding that the charge erect a parsonage.

Parish Missions

1. THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER (AUSTIN), CHICAGO, was begun by and is under the fostering care of Wicker Park Church, Rev. Austin D. Crile, Pastor. The mission adopted its constitution April 27th; has 15 members, a board of 5 deacons, a Sunday School of 50, a Ladies' Aid Society of 20, a good choir and has only one backward feature about it, viz., a back room in which to worship. Student Brady L. Stroup, who has been tried, and has demonstrated his ability, will undoubtedly show good results for his Summer's work in Austin. The congregation will unite with Synod at this session.

2. ELY'S SCHOOL HOUSE. near La Fayette, has a mission congregation which worships regularly under the ministry of our missionary, Rev. E. D. S. Boyer, who has preached for the past year, to an average of 54 people. The work has maintained itself, and will undoubtedly develop into a substantial source of strength to our La Fayette work.

Co-operation in Mission work with the General Synod

Out of what seemed like conflict, and indicating possible friction, a mutual understanding has developed, which will prevent friction and insure a better distribution of missionary effort, so far as the work of our own Synod and the Synod of Northern Illinois are concerned. We present herewith the final communications which are self explanatory, and trust the Synod will approve of the principles therein set forth.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 11th, 1905.

Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Hunton:

At my request, and with a view to promoting the spirit of fraternal good will and co-operation in our work, which it is mutually desired to maintain and foster, the Chicago Conference of the Synod of Northern Illinois, at its convention held Jan. 30—31, 1905, took the following action:

Resolved: That this Conference put itself on record, defining its position with regard to the relation between the General Synod and the General Council, concerning missionary work on the territory of this Conference (territory of mutual interest is the intent), and that the communication between Rev. D. P. Heltzel and Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D. (Jan. 9th and 10th, 1905) relative to the subject be made the basis of this position.

The following four points set forth the substance of the correspondence in question.

1. That the territory in which we are both mutually interested, whether in or outside the city of Chicago, is equally to both parties hereto an open field.

2. That claims of preoccupation shall be based on work actually in progress, or definitely purposed in the near future, to be inaugurated. Mere talk of entering a field, if the entering be long delayed, is held as poor ground for such claim.

3. That when locating missions, where there seems to be any possibility of interference with work already established, by an overlapping of the parishes, claims for the boundaries of which are within

reason, such steps only shall be taken as are mutually satisfactory after consultation.

4. That we mutually agree upon, and officially subscribe to such a policy as is in accord with good ecclesiastical sense and comity, and calculated to maintain and strengthen the spirit of fraternal good will, that at present obtains among us as brethren, as well as to work to our mutual advantage in the best development of our English work in this city and other territory, of like interest to us both.

In the above resolution, our Conference gave to this its official sanction. Since you heartily favor such a policy, and could personally subscribe to it, if from your side and for your Committee action were taken, giving this official significance as a working agreement, I believe it would tend to stimulate "the added confidence and the future concert of effort" which we all really desire.

Very truly yours,

D. P. HELTZEL,
Chairman of the Mission Committee.

The following reply was sent March 20th:

The Rev. D. P. Heltzel, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Brother Heltzel:—

The resolutions presented by you to your Chicago Conference of the Northern Illinois Synod, and adopted by it, as a basis for missionary relations with the missionary work of the Chicago Synod on the territory mutually covered, were received and presented to the Home Mission Committee of the Chicago Synod, at its meeting held in the Theological Seminary, Feb. 20th, 1905.

Our Committee was very much pleased with the spirit manifested, and unanimously approved the resolutions. They will be incorporated in our annual report, in order that the Synod may have a record of the action in its official reports.

In adopting the four points, as stated, we interpret No. 2 to mean, that a canvass of a field is occupying it, even if services are not immediately begun. This does not necessarily close such a field to the other party, who however should not occupy such territory, without the knowledge of the Committee of the other Synod, which had previously canvassed in said territory.

We also understand the third point to mean, that before a new field is opened, if the nearest English work to said proposed field is that of the other Synod, the Committee shall confer before finally determining upon its occupation.

We rejoice in the more intelligent and more systematic occupation of the great and fruitful field, which is more than equal to the greatest energy possible on the part of all our missionary forces.

With the sincere hope that all our work for the extension of our Lutheran Zion may prosper, to the glory of God, and the salvation of many souls, I am yours most cordially,

W. L. HUNTON,
Mission Director.

Statistical Summary

Missions	Souls	Communicants	Gain	S. S.	Property	Debt	Income	Benevolence	Aid (1904-1905)	Aid asked
Synodical Missions										
St. Peter's, Chicago.	450	150	15	361	$ 5 530	$ 1 500	$1210 43	$ 103 45	$150	$ 100
St. Matthew's, Chicago.	250	103	6	142	2 600	100	1168 49	90 60	240	240
St. James', Chicago.	353	60	17	293	3 000	1 000	2129 83	32 00	300	300
Atonement, Chicago.	110	40	7	82	950	.....	188 90	9 80	300	300
St. Stephen's Chicago.	30	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	175
Our Saviour, Alexandria, Ind.	107	29	11	73	15 000	.....	355 98	20 50	300	300
First Church, Mishawaka, Ind.	125	45	4	71	14 800	225	435 00	25 15	150	150
Holy Trinity, South Bend, Ind.	119	78	11	107	3 000	600	900 00	47 05	100	100
Holy Trinity, La Fayette, Ind.	75	46	1	106	5 200	1 500	2401 60	46 72	300	300
Grace, Syracuse, Ind.	62	33	5	52	6 950	1 800	2397 49	10 50	200	200
St. Paul's, Benton, Ind.	60	37	7	53	1 300	.....	269 95	40 97	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Olney, Ill.	30	12	.....	.....	1 000	.....	150 00	.....	150	150
Wheeler, Ill.	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	450 00	.....	.....	.....
Dietrich, Ill.	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Emmanuel, Nappanee, Ind.	83	45	30	92	1 500	.....	110 00	41 25	.....	100
St. John's, Nappanee, Ind.	67	28	24	67	2 000	.....	187 16	25 98	.....	.....
Synodical Missions.	1921	724	141	1625	62 830	4 975	15424 83	492 97	.....	.....
Parish Missions										
Redeemer, Chicago.	70	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ely's, near La Fayette, Ind.	54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	2045	739	141	1625	$ 62 830	$ 4 975	15424 83	$ 492 97		

To summarise, there are 14 missions supported by the Synod; 4 others under the supervision of the Committee. These are distributed as follows: 6 in Chicago, 12 outside; 9 in Illinois and 9 in Indiana. In these missions 2,045 souls are cared for.

The General Council aids the following missions on our territory: St. John's, Anderson, Ind., St. Luke's and the Church of the Epiphany, Chicago; The Church of The Redeemer, Aurora, Ill.; St. Paul's and Christ Churches, Detroit, Mich.; 6 missions. In these missions, there are 990 souls, of whom 391 are communicants.

The grand total is 24 missions distributed as follows:—8 in Chicago, 16 outside; 12 in Illinois; 10 in Indiana and 2 in Michigan. In these we find a total of 3,035 souls; 1,130 communicants. The number could be doubled, were the men and the means available. May the Lord increase the number of our willing and liberal people, so that the rich and ripening harvest may be gathered.

Recommendations

1. We recommend appropriations to the various missions, as indicated in the column "*Aid asked*", in the statistical table; also $125.00 for a General Missionary and $200.00 as a special emergency fund.

2. We recommend that the request that $100.00 be appropriated to the Corydon parish be granted, if a resident pastor be secured.

3. Synod endorses the action of the Mission Committee in its agreement with the Mission Committee of the Northern Illinois Synod, this agreement to become effective as soon as it is endorsed by the Synod of Northern Illinois.

4. In accordance with the resolution of last year (see minutes 1904 page 35) we would recommend,—a) That a Committee of women be authorised to arrange a programme, and secure a place for a convention for organization of a Missionary Society, during November 1905. This Committee shall consist of Mrs. W. L. Hunton, Chicago, Mrs. A. D. Crile, Chicago, Mrs. Luther Hogshead, Goshen, Miss Emma Miller, Elgin, Mrs. W. J. Finck, Anderson, Miss Ella Boester, Hicksville, and Miss Josephine Kuhns, Mulberry, Ind.; b) This Committee shall prepare a constitution to be submitted to the Synod for approval before final adoption; c) In drafting the rules for the proposed organization, we recommend that the following principles

be incorporated, (1) The name shall be "The Womans' Missionary Society of the Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church;" (2) Any existing society of women connected with our congregations shall be eligible to membership; (3) The Society shall make reports through our Mission Director to Synod, and shall, as far as possible, operate under the direction of the several Committees of Synod.

5. The request that Synod appropriate $2,600.00 to be at the disposal of the Mission Committee, for the prosecution of our Home Mission work during the coming synodical year.

6. We desire to place upon record, our appreciation of the work being done by the General Council's Home Mission Board, on the territory of the Chicago Synod, and would urge upon the congregations to aid to the measure of their ability in this work, as well as in increasing the funds of the Church Extension Society.

7. The congregations are again urged to hold mission festivals, which apart from any monetary value, will prove stimulating and educational to the churches in which they are held.

THE COMMITTEE.

Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Committee of the Chicago Synod

May 28th, 1904, to June 21st, 1905.

RECEIPTS.

Balance cash on hand as per last report	$ 260 08
Rec'd from Treasurer of Synod, Rev. I. Whitman	2539 70
Rec'd from Special Fund Subscriptions	58 94
Rec'd from loan of Mrs. J. Wessman	500 00
	$ 3358 72

EXPENDITURES.

To St. Peter's, Chicago, May 1—'04 to April 30—'05	$ 150 00
" St. Matthew's, " " " " " "	240 00
" St. James' " " " " " "	300 00
" Atonement " " " " " "	300 00
" Epiphany " " " " " "	150 00
" City Missionary" " " " " "	125 00
" St. Stephen's Chicago, May 1905	35 00

" St. Luke's " for interest May 1—'04 to May 1—'05	104 50	
" Our Saviour Church, Alexandria, Ind. May 1—'04 to May 1—'05	300 00	
" First Church, Misbawaka, Ind., May 1—'04 to May 1—'05	150 00	
" Holy Trinity, South Bend, Ind., May 1—'04 to May 1—'05	91 63	
" Holy Trinity, La Fayette, Ind., May 1—'04 to May 1—'05	300 00	
" Syracuse, Ind., May 1—'04 to May 1—'05	200 00	
" Olney, Ill., May 1—'04 to May 1—'05	150 00	
" Current expenses, printing, postage, supplies, interest, traveling expenses, etc	63 50	
Total Expenses	2660 13	
Paid Loan in full to Mrs. J. Wessman	500 00	
Total Paid out	3160 13	
Balance Cash on hand	198 59	
Grand Total		$3358 72

Respectfully Submitted June 21st, 1905,

C. T. A. ANDERSON,

Treasurer of the Committee.

The Report was received, considered by items, and adopted in the above form, the Report of the Treasurer of the Committee being referred to the Auditing Committee.

Synod adjourned at 11:30 o'clock, being led in prayer by Rev. D. L. Reese.

Fifth Session

June 23rd, 2 p. m.

Devotions conducted by the Rev. J. A. Miller of Detroit, Mich.

The roll was called.

The minutes of the fourth session were read and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Reception of Congregations

The Committee on Reception of Congregations begs leave to submit the following Report:

Four congregations have applied for membership in this body, namely:

1. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer of Aurora, Ill.
2. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer (Austin), Chicago, Ill.
3. The Epiphany Evangelical Lutheran Church of Chicago, Ill.
4. Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Detroit, Michigan.

Your Committee has examined the constitutions of these congregations, and find that they come within the requirements of this Synod.

We therefore recommend that they be received; that their commissioners sign the Synodical Constitution, and that their signatures being affixed, their delegates become members of this body.

Furthermore, we recommend that missions organized within the bounds of our Synod, be urged to adopt the constitution prepared and recommended by the General Council.

Signed

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

The Resolution of the Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, calling for an appropriation of $100.00 to the Corydon, Ind., parish, was referred to the Home Mission Committee.

The invitation from St. Paul's congregation, Detroit, Mich., for the next convention of Synod was accepted. At a subsequent session, the time of the next convention was fixed for the Wednesday following Trinity Sunday, A. D. 1906.

Rev. Luther Hogshead, of Goshen, Ind., presented his paper on "Woman's Work in the Church, both in the Local and General Field."

The discussion was opened by the Rev. H. B. Reed, of Chicago.

Synod adjourned at 4:30, being led in prayer by the Rev. Geo. Dittmar, of Rochester, Ind.

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Sixth Session

Holy Trinity Church, La Fayette, Ind.,
June 24th, 1905, 8 a. m.

Rev. A. D. Crile of Chicago conducted the devotional exercises.

The roll was called.

The minutes of the Fifth Session were read and approved.

Report of Committee on Benevolence

1. We recommend that the offerings received at the service held in the interest of Benevolence on Wednesday evening, be divided equally between the Passavant Hospital in Chicago, and the Orphanage at Zelienople, Pa.

2. We again recommend that the pastors keep the subject of Benevolence before their people, and urge suitable young women in their parishes to enter the Ministry of Mercy as Deaconesses.

3. It is the sense of your Committee, that as soon as possible, something of a substantial nature should be done towards caring for the orphans within our bounds, and we recommend, that the Committee on Benevolence be charged with the duty of keeping this subject in mind, and presenting something definite at the next meeting of Synod.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was amended and adopted as above.

Report of Committee on President's Report

Your Committee has carefully considered the President's Report, and would respectfully offer the following recommendations:

1. That the official acts of the President be approved.

2. That we hereby express our gratification at the very encouraging condition in which our President leaves the many charges of our Synod, as all are supplied with pastors but two. We feel that it is due to the prayerful and persistent care with which our President applied himself to the duties entrusted to him. We would urge upon his successor, the importance of continuing in the same feeling of concern for all vacant charges, especially for one which like Mt. Solomon, on account of its isolation and remote location is hard to supply, and to keep supplied, with a resident pastor, and yet which on account of its fidelity to the faith and loyalty to Synod, running over many years, deserves our care and support.

3. That we deplore the lack of young men preparing for the Ministry, and that we urge our pastors to seek out fitting young men and encourage them to continue their education, that they may in due time enter our Theological Seminary, and follow the Lord's call to the ministry. That to this end, the work of Christian education be encouraged, in all its grades, from the lowest to the highest, in the home, Sunday School, Church, and day schools, as well as in the college and seminary. It is indeed a vital question, and unless our people respond, it will become a fatal question.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted by items and as a whole.

Report of Committee on Education

We beg leave to report that the requested evening service was held, in which the matter of Christian Education was presented. We are glad to report that our beneficiaries have enjoyed good health, and have made excellent progress in their respective studies.

Also that the reports from their instructors speak in highest terms of their Christian spirit and character.

We report that the money voted at our last convention has been paid, except that voted to Mr. OliverO. Yung, who did not attend school because of a necessity, which was entirely satisfactory to your Committee.

We recommend the following for the ensuing year:

Andrew Sappenfield	$100 00
Calvin Brewer	100 00
Sylvester L. Boger	100 00
Total	$300 00

Two young brethren have the Ministry in view, but have not the school work that has been made a requirement for help from Synod. We trust that these brethren will persevere in their good plan.

We further recommend that the offering taken at the Educational meeting, be given to the Colburn Academy.

May our prayer be that God may put it into the mind of many young men to prepare for the holy Ministry.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions

The Foreign Mission Committee begs leave to submit this report.

By recommendation of this Committee, last year, $125.00 was appropriated for the support of a native pastor, and the request made that the General Council Foreign Mission Board be asked to assign such a pastor to our Synod for support.

This action was adopted by Synod, but the matter was not attended to, and the treasurer of Synod has the amount on hand.

Your Committee has found that during the past year, the Luther League of St. Peter's congregation of Chicago, has supported a native student, Deva Samuel, at the cost of $30.00.

Sunday School of Holy Trinity, Chicago, Rev. W. L. Hunton, Pastor, supports one student.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of Zion Congregation of the Mulberry Parish, supports two scholarships in the Boys' School at Rajahmundry, India.

Your Committee recommends:

1. That the treasurer of Synod be instructed to pay the $125.00 now on hand, to the treasurer of the General Council Foreign Mission Board.

2. That Synod appropriate $125.00 for the support of a native helper.

3. That Synod appropriate $125.00 and the Foreign Mission offering received at this convention of Synod, to the India Mission.

4. That Synod appropriate $75.00 to the Porto Rico Mission.

5. That we urge our pastors to lay upon the hearts of their people, the great need of the Foreign field, and that congregations, societies, and individual members of means be urged to support native students.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Report of the Committee on History of Synod and Historical Monographs

We would respectfully report that the Rev. M. L. Wagner writes, that the manuscript of the History of Synod, after a revision during the summer, will be ready for publication.

We would urge upon the pastors to complete and furnish the monographs of the parishes, so that the periodical publication may begin at once.

We would recommend that Synod arrange to have the history published, after the manuscript is completed in its revised form.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Report of the Archivist

Your archivist would respectfully report, that he has received various papers and documents of historical interest to the Synod, and that these have been carefully filed away.

Respectfully,

G. H. GERBERDING.

The Report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Synodical Paper

The Committee on Synodical Paper, would respectfully report, that the Western Monthly Lutheran has been published regularly throughout the year.

We wish to put upon record, our appreciation of the liberality and leniency of the General Council Publication Board, which has made it possible to continue the publication of this medium of communication and information for our pastors.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Report of the Auditing Committee

La Fayette, Ind., June 23,—'05.

We, the Auditing Committee, beg leave to report that we have examined the books of the Treasurer of Synod and Treasurer of the Home Mission Board, and find them correct.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

The following Report was made and adopted:

Your secretary would report, that acting under instructions received at last meeting of Synod, he secured a complete file of the

Minutes of the Indiana Synod, and will have them bound for the Archives of the General Council. It is recommended that the thanks of Synod be extended to the Rev. Jesse Dunn, and Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., for providing the copies of this file.

The Secretary reported that the following congregations, received at this convention of Synod, had signed the Constitution of Synod, through their commissioners, and that the names of their delegates had been placed upon the roll:

Church of the Redeemer, Aurora, Ill.; Epiphany, Chicago; Christ Church, Detroit, Mich.; Church of the Redeemer, (Austin) Chicago, Ill.

Report of Committee on Parochial Reports and Apportionments

1. We herewith submit the tabulated statistical report for the past year. (See Appendix.)

2. We recommend that the Corydon Parish be excused from the deficit on all past apportionments, for the reason that they have been without a pastor for two years.

3. We have made the following apportionments for the year 1905—1906. (See table, page 46).

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was received, considered by items and adopted as a whole.

Synod adjourned with prayer offered by the Rev. A. V. House of Arcadia, Ind.

Apportionments 1905-1906

Parishes and Pastors	Congregations	Synodical Home Missions	Education	Foreign Missions	Synodical Expenses	Total
Alexandria, Rev. J.C. Dietz	Our Saviour	$ 13 15	$ 1 02	$ 1 02	$ 1 01	$ 16 [illegible]
	St. John's	48 91	5 23	5 24	5 24	64 63
Anderson, Rev. Wm. J. Finck	Mt. Zion's	14 51	1 55	1 55	1 56	19 11
Chicago, Rev. W. L. Hunton Ph. D.	Holy Trinity	159 63	17 08	17 08	17 08	210 [illegible]
Rev. A. D. Crile	Wicker Park	245 21	25 23	25 24	25 24	320 [illegible]
Rev. Z. M. Corbe(t.)	St. Mark's	45 90	4 82	4 82	4 81	60 [illegible]
Rev. L. W. Steckel	St. James'	27 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	36 00
Rev. P. J. Gerberding	St. Matthew's	43 65	4 85	4 85	4 85	58 20
Rev. H. B. Reed	St. Peter's	67 50	7 50	7 50	7 50	90 00
Rev. M. E. Haberland	St. Luke's	41 75	2 75	2 75	2 75	50 00
Rev. J. R. E. Hunt	St. John's	07 07	7 46	7 46	7 45	89 [illegible]
	Atonement	18 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	24 00
Rev. L. P. Pence	Epiphany	24 30	2 70	2 70	2 70	32 40
Rev. L. J. Baker	St. James'	72 56	7 76	7 76	7 77	95 [illegible]
Claremont, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield	St. Paul's	15 75	3 04	3 03	3 04	24 86
	St. John's	39 24	4 19	4 20	4 20	51 83
Colburn, Rev. P. C. Wike	Zion's	30 10	3 22	3 22	3 22	39 76
	Bethel	15 05	1 61	1 61	1 61	19 88
Corydon (A. M. Sappenfield Student supply)	Mt. Solomon	60 20	7 14	7 13	7 13	81 60
Decatur, Rev. H. Peters	First English	58 42	7 51	7 51	7 52	80 96
Detroit, Rev. J. A. Miller	St. Paul's	23 11	2 48	2 47	2 47	30 53
Detroit, Rev. W. C. Miller	Christ's	31 95	3 55	3 55	3 55	42 60
	Zion's	22 72	3 31	3 31	3 32	32 66
E. Germantown, Rev. H. Martens	St. Jacob's	13 44	1 43	1 43	1 44	17 73
	St. John's	13 44	1 43	1 43	1 44	17 74
Elgin, Rev. P. W. Roth	Holy Trinity	147 81	15 81	15 82	15 81	195 25
Ft. Wayne, Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D.	Holy Trinity	375 71	40 20	40 19	40 19	496 29
Frankfort, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh	St. Paul's	54 82	5 87	5 87	5 86	72 42
	Union	42 30	4 70	4 70	4 70	56 40
Gila, Rev. John Knauer	Olney	4 50	50	50	50	6 00
Goshen, Rev. L. Hogshead	First English	99 31	10 68	10 68	10 69	131 36
	St. John's	33 30	6 41	6 42	6 42	52 55
Hicksville, (Vacant)	Lost Creek	31 50	6 06	6 07	6 07	49 70
	Zion's	12 15	2 34	2 34	2 34	19 17
La Fayette, Rev. F. D. S. Boyer	Zion's	20 70	2 30	2 30	2 30	27 60
Mishawaka, Rev. M. E. Boulton	First English	20 25	2 25	2 25	2 25	27 00
Mulberry, Rev. W. J. Seiberling	Zion's	68 85	13 26	13 26	13 26	108 63
	Fair Haven	65 70	12 65	12 66	12 65	103 66
Newberry, Rev. H. J. Mathias	St. Peter's	21 60	4 16	4 16	4 16	34 08
	Mt. Zion	24 85	4 78	4 73	4 74	39 10
Rochester, Rev. G. F. Dittmar	St. Paul's	36 90	7 10	7 10	7 11	58 21
South Bend, Rev. Wm. Breuner	St. John's	14 85	2 87	2 87	2 87	23 46
Syracuse, Rev. T. F. Welskotten	Holy Trinity	31 70	5 03	5 04	5 03	46 80
	St. Paul's	16 65	1 85	1 85	1 85	22 20
Nappanee, Rev. A. L. Bollek	Grace	14 85	1 65	1 65	1 65	19 80
	Emmanuel	20 25	2 25	2 25	2 25	27 00
Vandalia, Rev. S. D. Myers	St. John's	12 60	4 20	4 20	4 20	25 20
	St. James'	66 69	7 58	7 59	7 60	89 46
Wallace, Rev. I. Whitman	Phanuel	48 60	9 36	9 36	9 36	76 68
	Emmanuel	14 40	2 77	2 78	2 78	22 73
	Philadelphia	9 90	1 91	1 91	1 91	15 63
Whitestown, Rev. D. L. Reese	Union	9 45	1 82	1 82	1 82	14 93
	Salem	48 15	9 27	9 28	9 27	75 97
	St. Mark's	62 55	12 04	12 05	12 04	98 68
	St. James'	49 95	9 62	9 62	9 62	78 83
Aurora, (Student Chas. White, Supply)	Church of the Redeemer	9 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	12 00
Chicago, Austin, (Rev. A. D. Crile, Pastor in charge.)	Church of the Redeemer	6 75	75	75	75	9 00
		$2709 15	344 85	344 98	344 95	$3743 93

Seventh Session

Church of the Holy Trinity, La Fayette, Ind.,
June 24th, 1905, 2 p. m.

Devotional exercises were in charge of the Rev. Wm. Brenner of South Bend, Ind.

The roll was called.

The minutes were read and adopted.

Committee on Conferences

The Committee on Conferences begs leave to submit the following report.

The Northern Conference of the Chicago Synod, composed of 10 congregations in Northern Illinois, 11 in Northern Indiana, 2 in Ohio, and 1 in Detroit, Mich., held two meetings during the year, the first in Oct. 1904, in South Bend, Ind., Rev. Wm. Eckert, Pastor, the last in May, 1905, in Syracuse, Ind., Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, Pastor. At the South Bend meeting, one day was utilized for a Sunday School convention, at which the teaching of the graded series of lessons was considered. By resolution of Conference, a Sunday School convention is to be held in connection with the fall meeting of Conference. At Syracuse, the doctrinal subjects of Regeneration, and Justification, and a paper on "What constitutes Worldliness" furnished the program. The work of Inner Missions was considered, and a committee was appointed to begin Inner Mission work in Chicago.

At the South Bend meeting, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved: That, the N. Conference of the Chicago Synod, recommends that the Chicago Synod enter into the "Unification plan for General Council Home Missions", provided it be modified to accommodate local conditions.

The Southern Conference of the Chicago Synod, composed of 29 congregations, held two meetings during the year, the first in Sept.

1904, at Newberry, Ind., Rev. A. L. Boliek, pastor; the second in March at Vandalia, Ill., Rev. S. D. Myers, pastor. At the Vandalia meeting, one half-day was devoted to Sunday School work. No special action was taken which requires the action of Synod.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted, the resolution of the Northern Conference, relative to the General Council's "Unification Plan" of Home Missions being referred to a Special Committee.

Synod adopted the following Resolution of Thanks, and instructed the President to read the same at the service, Sunday morning.

Resolution of Thanks

Whereas, it has been our privilege to enjoy a delightful stay in the beautiful city of La Fayette, the gates and homes of which have been opened to us in so cordial and hospitable a manner, and

Whereas, the public and congregational interest in our sessions, added so materially to the success of our gathering, be it

Resolved: 1. That we now extend our hearty thanks to the pastor and members of Holy Trinity Church, for our careful and cordial entertainment in their homes.

2. *Resolved* further, that our thanks are tendered to the citizens of this beautiful city, for courtesies extended, and especially to the Retail Merchants' Association, for privileges accorded to us to become familiar with the beauties of this delightful and historic spot in Indiana.

3. *Resolved* that we express our appreciation of the attention and full reports accorded to this Synod, by the press of La Fayette.

4. *Resolved*, that these resolutions be read at the Morning Service, Sunday.

Committee on Excuses and Absentees

Your Committee on absentees and excuses submit the following report:

1. Rev. R. F. Weidner, D. D., and Rev. P. W. Roth have sent letters explaining their inability to be present at this convention of Synod. We recommend that they be excused.

2. The following brethren have explained the necessity of their absence from some of the sessions of Synod.

Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. J. A. Miller, Rev. Wm. C. Miller, Rev. A.C. Anda, Rev. D. L. Reese, Rev. H. J. Mathias, Rev. T. F. Weiskotten, Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. Z. M. Corbe(t) and Rev. A. D. Crile.

Delegates, Marion Cline, Chas. White, and G. E. Dieckmann. We recommend that they be excused.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Protocol and Minutes of Previous Convention

Your Committee on Protocol and Printed Minutes, report the following:

1. That we find the Protocol neatly and correctly written.

2. That as indicated on page 42 of printed minutes of 1904, Mr. C. T. A. Anderson's term as trustee expires this year, and we therefore recommend that Synod consider the matter of a successor.

THE COMMITTEE

The Report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Statistics and Parochial Reports

Number of Pastors	38	last year	37
Congregations	57	" "	53
Parishes	38	" "	36

Sunday Schools	48	"	" 42
Churches and Chapels	49	"	" 47
Parsonages	17	"	" 13
Valuation of Church Property	$332850		–304800
Communicant membership, date last report			5138

Accessions.

Adult Baptisms	96
Confirmations	347
From Lutheran Congregations	121
From other Churches	101
Restoration	41
Total	706

Losses.

By Death	86
Removal	284
Exclusion	43
Total	413
Net gain during year	293
Present communicant members	5420
Number communed during year	3186
Total Baptized membership	6912
Number of Infants Baptized during the year	317

Contributions Synodical Apportionment.

Synodical Expense Fund	$ 163.95
Synodical Home Missions	2271.95
Beneficiary Education	426.34
General Council Home Missions	232.17
" " Church Extension	199.55
" " Foreign Missions	507.53
Total Paid on Apportionment	3369.77
Other Benevolences	681.10
Current expenses	40631.63

Sunday School.

Teachers and Officers	567
Scholars enrolled	4012
Contributions	4390.97

THE COMMITTEE

The Report was received and ordered spread upon the minutes, and the Committee continued for the ensuing year.

Rev. L. Hogshead, who was appointed at the last convention of Synod, to investigate the Status of our Trustees reported, that "our position regarding our Trustees is a safe one."

Report of Special Committee on Plan of Unification of English Home Missions

Your Committee to which was referred the resolution of the Northern Conference on the General Council's plan of unifying its Home Mission work respectfully submits:

1. That it is the sense of our Synod, that we are ready to enter upon the plan of unification on the following conditions:

a.) That our H. M. Committee be represented on the General Board.

b.) That we do not surrender our right to plant and maintain Synodical missions, when and where we deem it necessary.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Election of Trustees

Under election of Trustees, the term of Mr. C. T. A. Anderson of Chicago, having expired, he was re-elected for a period of three years, making the list of Trustees as follows:

A. G. Webber, Esq,, Decatur, Ill., term expires 1906,
Mr. Nels Johnson, Chicago, Ill., term expires 1907.
Mr. C. T. A. Anderson, Chicago, Ill., term expires 1908.

Delegates to the General Council

The election resulted in the choice of the following persons as delegates to the General Council.

Clerical

Primarii	Secundi
Rev. Luther Hogshead, ex-officio	Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D.
Rev. H. Peters, D. D.	Rev. I. Whitman
Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D.	Rev. P. C. Wike
Rev. A. D. Crile	Rev. Wm. J. Finck

Lay Delegates

Primarii	Secundi
C. T. A. Anderson	A. G. Webber, Esq.
M. L. Deck	O. J. Waters, M. D.
A. W. Ackemann	Chas. Nielsen
Jas. Bauer	P. J. Brock

The Secretary was instructed to have 3000 copies of the Minutes printed.

The Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., was chosen official visitor from the Chicago Synod, to the Convention of the

Synod of the North West, of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, held at Racine, Wis.

The minutes of this session were read and adopted.

Synod adjourned with prayer, led by the Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D.

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Eighth Session

Church of the Holy Trinity, June 25, 1905, 9:00 p. m.

After the close of the Evening Service, Synod was called to order by President Hogshead.

The secretary reported that the brother ordained at the morning service had signed the Constitution, and that his name had been added to the Roll of Ministers.

The President appointed the following

Standing Committees

Examination—Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Rev. Wm. Seiberling, Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. Hiram Peters, D. D.

Home Missions—Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., Rev. A. C. Anda, Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Rev. P. C. Wike, Rev. P. W. Roth, Messrs. C. T. A. Anderson, A. W. Ackemann, Chas. Nielsen, L. W. Bludorn.

Foreign Missions—Rev. S. D. Myers, Rev. Jno. Knauer, Rev. Wm. Brenner, Rev. H. J. Mathias, Mr. Jacob Hepler.

Education—Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. H. B. Reed, Mr. F. M. Smiley.

Benevolence—Rev. A. L. Boliek, Rev. A. V. House, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Mr. B. F. Wert.

Discipline—Rev. W. J. Finck, Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. J. C. Dietz, Rev. H. Martens, Rev. P. J. Gerberding.

Reception of Congregations—Rev. M. E. Haberland, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Messrs. G. J. Leaders, Chas. Wann.

Parochial Reports and Apportionments—Rev. M. E. Boulton, Rev. Theo. Weiskotten, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Messrs. M. Rudisill, A. M. Sappenfield.

The President appointed the following

Special Committees

Synodical Paper—Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., Rev. A. C. Anda, Rev. Elmer D. S. Boyer, Messrs. C. T. A. Anderson, H. S. K. Bartholomew, Wm. Brewer.

History of Synod and Historical Monographs—Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., Rev. Wm. J. Finck, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Rev. Z. M. Corbe(t).

Statistics—Rev. L. W. Steckel, Rev. L. P. Pence, Rev. J. A. Miller, Rev. Geo. F. Dittmar, Rev. D. L. Reese.

Synodical Program—The officers of Synod and pastor *loci*.

Board of Directors Colburn Academy. (A self-perpetuating body). President, Rev. I. Whitman; Secretary Rev. Wm. J. Finck; Treasurer, Rev. E. D. S. Boyer, Rev. W. J. Seiberling, Rev. P. C. Wike, Messrs. O. J. Mennen, Wm. Brewer, Jno. Cook, Jas. Bauer.

Synod adjourned at 9:30 o'clock, according to the prescribed Order for the close of Synod in the Church Book.

H. B. REED,
Secretary.

Name	Parish	Location
Holy Trinity	Holy Trinity	La Salle av. and Elm st., Chicag
Wicker Park	Wicker Park	N. Hoyne av. and Le Moyne st., Chicag
Epiphany	Epiphany	597 Ogden av., Chicag
St. John's	Englewood	Indiana av. S. of Sixty-first St., Chicag
St. Mark's	Lake View	Clark St. and Addison av., Chicag
St. Peter's	Humboldt Park	N. Spaulding av. and Le Moyne st., Chicag
St. Matthew's	Mandell	Flournoy st., near Forty-seventh av., Chicag
St. James'	Logan Square	Kimbell Hall, Hayes st., nr. Kimbell, Chicag
St. Luke's	Logan Square	N. Francisco and Mariana aves., Chicag
Atonement	Englewood	Sixty-ninth st., Chicag
Redeemer	Austin	(Austin), Chicag
St. James'	Vandalia	Vandalia, Illinoi
First English	Decatur	N. Main and Williams sts., Decatur, Illinoi
St. James'	Claremont	Claremont, Richland county, Illinoi
Union	Gila	Gila, Illinoi
Holy Trinity	Elgin	Elgin, Illinoi
Redeemer	Aurora	Aurora, Illinoi
Holy Trinity	Fort Wayne	Wayne and Clinton sts., Ft. Wayne, Indian
Holy Trinity	South Bend	South Bend, Indian
First English	Mishawaka	Mishawaka, Indian
First English	Goshen	Goshen, Indian
Holy Trinity	Lafayette	La Fayette, Indian
St. Mark's	Whitestown	Whitestown, Indian
St. James'	Whitestown	Near Darlington, Montgomery county, Ind.
Salem	Whitestown	New Augusta, Indian
Union	Whitestown	East of Whitestown, Indian
Emmanuel	Nappanee	S. W. of Nappanee, Kosciusko county, Ind.
St. John's	Nappanee	Nappanee, Indian
St. Paul's	Syracuse	Benton, Elkhart county, Indian
Syracuse	Syracuse	Syracuse, Kosciusko county, Indian
Emmanuel	Wallace	Near Hillsboro, Fountain county, Indian
Phanuel	Wallace	Near Wallace, Fountain county, Indian
Philadelphia	Wallace	Near Milligan, Park county, Indian
St. John's	Colburn	Near Owasco, Carroll county, Indian
Zion's	Colburn	Colburn, Tippecanoe county, Indian
Bethel	Colburn	Pettit, Tippecanoe county, Indian
Zion's	E. Germantown	East Germantown, Wayne county, Indian
St. John's	E. Germantown	Middletown, Henry county, Indian
St. Jacob's	E. Germantown	Millville, Henry county, Indian
St. Paul's	Rochester	Tiosa, Fulton county, Indian
St. John's	Rochester	Bruce Lake, Fulton county, Indian
Zion's	Mulberry	Mulberry, Indian
Fairhaven	Mulberry	Near Mulberry, Indian
St. Paul's	Frankfort	Frankfort, Indian
Our Saviour	Alexandria	Alexandria, Indian
St. John's	Anderson	Anderson, Indian
Mt. Zion's	Anderson	Ovid, Madison county, Indian
St. Peter's	Newberry	Newberry, Greene county, Indian
Mt. Zion's	Newberry	Monroe City, Knox county, Indian
Mt. Solomon	Corydon	Near Corydon, Indian
Zion's	Hicksville	Hall's Corner, Allen county, Indian
St. John's	Hicksville	Hicksville, Ohio
Lost Creek	Hicksville	North of Hicksville, Ohio
St. Paul's	Detroit	16th and Breckenridge sts., Detroit, Michigan
Christ	Detroit	Woodward and Hendrie aves., Detroit, Mich.

Religious Services and Addresses

WEDNESDAY MORNING: **Opening Services**—

Liturgical Services by Officers of Synod.
Synodical Sermon, by Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., based on Matt. 16: 3, last clause.
Preparatory Service and Holy Communion.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—

Paper by Rev. W. J. Finck: "Christian Education."
Discussion opened by the Rev. W. J. Seiberling of Mulberry, Ind.

WEDNESDAY EVENING—**Benevolence Meeting.**

Service in charge of the Rev. A. L. Bolick, of Nappanee, Ind.
Addresses by Rev. T. F. Weiskotten and Rev. J. R. E. Hunt.
Offering for Benevolence.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON—

Paper by the Rev. J. C. Dietz of Alexandria, Ind., on "The Particular Forms and Usages, more or less prevalent in the Lutheran Church and the importance to be attached to them."
Discussion opened by the Rev. M. E. Haberland of Chicago.

THURSDAY EVENING—**Educational Meeting.**

Service in charge of the Rev. A. D. Crile of Chicago.
Addresses by Rev. A. H. Arbaugh and Rev. P. J. Gerberding.
Offering for Education.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON—

Paper: "Woman's Work in the Church, both in the Local and General Field," by Rev. L. Hogshead of Goshen, Ind.
Discussion opened by Rev. H. B. Reed.

FRIDAY EVENING—**Foreign Mission Meeting.**

Service in charge of the Rev. S. D. Myers of Vandalia, Ill.
Address by the Rev. Geo. Drach of Philadelphia, General Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the General Council.
Offering for Foreign Missions.

SUNDAY MORNING—**Ordination Service.**

Service in charge of the Officers of Synod:
Ordination Sermon by the Rev. H. Peters, Decatur, Ill.
Candidate ordained, L. J. Baker.
Offering for the Chicago Seminary.

SUNDAY EVENING—**Home Missions.**

Service in charge of the Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D.
Addresses by the Rev. A. C. Anda, Western Field Secretary of G. C. Home Mission Board, and by Rev. M. E. Boulton, Missionary at Mishawaka, Ind.
Offering for Home Missions.

MINUTES

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

CHICAGO SYNOD

OF THE

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

DETROIT, MICHIGAN

JUNE 13-17, 1906

MINUTES

Opening Service

THE Thirty-sixth Annual Convention of the Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, was held in Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church and St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Detroit, Michigan, beginning Wednesday, June 13, 1906, at 10 o'clock a. m. The Opening Service consisted of the Confessional and Morning Services of the Church Book, the preaching of the Synodical Sermon, based on Romans 10:10, by the President of Synod, the Rev. L. Hogshead, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

After the Benediction, the President appointed the Committee on Credentials of Lay Delegates.

First Session

Christ English Evangelical Lutheran Church,
Woodward and Hendrie Aves., Detroit, Mich.
Wednesday, June 13, 1906, 2 p. m.

The devotional services were conducted by the Rev. A. L. Boliek.

The President opened the first business session according to the Order prescribed in the Church Book, for the opening of Synod.

The Roll of Ministers was called. The Committee on Credentials presented the list of lay delegates and offered the following recommendation which was adopted:

We recommend that parishes be required to furnish excuse for absence of delegates, in the same manner as ministers are required to furnish excuse for absence.

Roll of Ministers

Name	Ord'n'd	Parish	Address
1 A. V. House, ae	1864	No Charge	Arcadia, Indiana
2 S. Wagenhals. D. D.	1868	Fort Wayne	Fort Wayne, Indiana
3 ProfR. F. Weidner, DD. LLD. ae	1873	Professor	1311 Sheffield ave., Chicago
4 Hiram Peters, D. D.	1873	Decatur	950 N. Main st., Decatur, Ill
5 Prof. G. H. Gerberding, D.D.	1876	Professor	1315 Waveland av., Chicago
6 Polycarp C. Wike	1886	Financial Sec'y	Mulberry, Indiana
7 William J. Finck, a	1887	St. Matthew's	544 Walker st., Augusta, Ga
8 D. L. Reese, ae	1889	Supply	1320 Chase st., Anderson, In
9 A. L. Bolick	1891	Nappanee	Nappanee, Indiana
10 John H. Wannemacher, r	1894	Hicksville	Hicksville, Ohio
11 A. C. Anda	1894	Field Secretary	924 Addison ave., Chicago
12 Isaiah Whitman	1896	Wallace	Hillsboro, Ind., R. F. D. 2
13 Austin D. Crile	1897	Wicker Park	81 Le Moyne st., Chicago
14 Luther Hogshead	1897	Goshen	634 S. 6th st., Goshen, Ind
15 Wm. Brenner	1897	South Bend	South Bend, Indiana
16 H. J. Mathias	1898	Newberry	Newberry, Indiana
17 Harry B. Reed	1899	St. Peter's	944 Le Moyne st., Chicago
18 Zenan M. Corbe(t)	1899	St. Mark's	1223 Addison st., Chicago
19 Alonzo H. Arbaugh	1899	Frankfort	Frankfort, Indiana
20 Wm. C. Miller	1899	Christ	255 Grummond av., Detroit
21 Theodore Weiskotten	1900	Syracuse	Syracuse, Indiana
22 Curtis G. Stacy, r	1900	Chgo. Heights	1545 Aldine av., Chicago
23 J. C. Dietz, ae	1900	Alexandria	708 Minn. av. Alexandria, Ind
24 George F. Dittmar	1901	Rochester	Rochester, Fulton Co., Ind
25 M. E. Haberland	1901	St. Luke's	1470 N. Francisco av., Chgo
26 Joel R. E. Hunt	1901	St. John's	6122 Indiana av., Chicago
27 S. D. Myers	1902	Vandalia	Vandalia, Illinois
28 William J. Seiberling	1902	Mulberry	Mulberry, Indiana
29 John V. Sappenfield	1902	Claremont	Claremont, Ill., R. F. D. 3
30 J. A. Miller	1902	St. Paul's	61 Breckenridge st., Detroit
31 Charles R. Dunlap, r	1902	Austin	640 Alma st., Chicago
32 Paul W. Roth	1903	Elgin	434 Chicago av., Elgin, Ill
33 Paul J. Gerberding	1903	St. Matthew's	2516 W. Harrison st., Chgo
34 Elmer D. S. Boyer	1904	Lafayette	510 N. 10th st. Lafayette, Ind
35 Lloyd W. Steckel	1904	Mishawaka	Mishawaka, Indiana
36 Jno. Knauer, ae	1904	Gila	Newton, Ill., R. F. D. 4
37 Edward P. Conrad, r	1904	Colburn	Colburn, Indiana
38 Roger C. Kaufman, r	1906	Aurora	18 S. Lincoln av., Aurora, Ill
39 Andrew M. Sappenfield, r	1906	Corydon	Corydon, Indiana

a. Absent e. Excused r. Received during year

Roll of Lay Delegates

	Name	Parish	Residence
1	John L. Reuter	Humboldt Park	100 Washington St., Chicago
2	Chas. Severinghaus	Wicker Park	Chicago
3	Edward Valbracht	St. Luke's	Chicago
4	C. R. Dunlap	Austin	Chicago
5	Orlanda S. Yerger	Atonement	Chicago
6	G. F. Gehr	St. Mark's	1313 Waveland Ave., Chicago
7	C. T. A. Anderson	Holy Trinity	167 Dearborn St., Chicago
8	W. F. Smith	Vandalia	Vandalia, Illinois.
9	A. W. Ackemann	Holy Trinity	Elgin, Illinois
10	Geo. W. Wehmeyer	Goshen	Goshen, Indiana
11	A. M. Sappenfield	Corydon	Corydon, Indiana
12	Ed. Bartholomew	Syracuse	Goshen, R. F. D. 6, Indiana
13	W. B. Meyers	Wallace	Wallace, Indiana
14	Edward F. Kuhn	Nappanee	Nappanee, Indiana
15	N. W. Cosner	Frankfort	Frankfort, Indiana
16	O. J. Mennen	Holy Trinity	La Fayette, Indiana
17	Josiah Rothenberger	Mulberry	Mulberry, Indiana
18	J. Frank Laughner	Whitestown	Whitestown, Indiana
19	Geo. Crouse	Colburn	Colburn, Indiana
20	A. Sanders	E. Germantown	E. Germantown, Indiana
21	A. A. Sellers	Hicksville	Hicksville, Ohio
22	Edward Smith	Christ	Detroit, Michigan
23	Fred Rietzkat	St. Paul's	Detroit, Michigan

Applicants for the Ministry

The following students of Theology were present and were granted the privilege of the floor:

Andrew M. Sappenfield, Corydon, Indiana
Orlanda S. Yerger, Chicago, Illinois

Visiting Ministers

During this convention, the following ministerial brethren were present, and were granted the privilege of the floor:

Rev. G. F. Gehr, Chicago, Illinois
Rev. David Benjamin, Kurdistan, Persia
Rev. A. Homrighaus, Detroit, Michigan

President's Report

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CHICAGO SYNOD:

By the preserving care and loving mercy of Almighty God, we are permitted to meet in this, the Thirty-sixth Annual Convention of this Synodical body.

Our's is a most stirring and eventful time—Our's is surely a day of opportunity.

The ingenious and inquiring mind of man has penetrated so far into the field of invention and discovery; has so wonderfully explored the realm of Nature, that her forces have been analyzed and converted into obedient servants to the will of man.

The wonderful system of communication by means of the thunderbolt, has eliminated both time and distance in the world's exchange of thought.

The modern printing-press, the modern facilities for every conceivable production, as well as for trade, travel and commerce, are such as to keep us under the constant pressure of startling wonders.

If the facilities for doing things to-day were consecrated to the service of God, eternity alone could report the good accomplished. Most wonderful is our Civilization! But there is a wide difference between Civilization and Christianization which must be recognized. Steam and electricity, interchange of thought and commerce, love of travel, of ease, of luxury and of worldly gain will not of themselves change depravity into righteousness, conform the heart and life of man to the will of God, or bring "Peace on earth and good will to men".

In the midst of all our present-day opportunities, advantages and privileges, we find that men's hearts are still cruel, proud and selfish.

Recent wars were fought with all the horrors of former times. Recent investigations show that men holding many of the world's high positions of trust and honor, do not heed the teachings of the Golden Rule, nor have they chosen the way of truth. Sordid politicians and financiers bring our institutions and laws into disrepute, and were it not for the influence of the Church, the body of believers which has the welfare of our country and of the souls of our people at heart, the love of mammon, to-day, would be as cruel as in the days of yore.

Turning from the State to the Church, we find that materialism, skepticism and fanaticism are painfully in evidence.

There are so many who have no clear conception of God's way of salvation, who are running after every new thing, embracing the strangest and absurdest vagaries, and are being given over to soul-destroying delusions.

The love of the world and what it offers, is alienating the masses from Christ and the Church, until a portion of the Church has begun to adopt the policy of compromise, and invites the world, with its spirit and its methods into the very sanctuary, and is converting the same into a club-house and place of amusement. But the dear Mother Church of the Reformation is not so easily moved to confusion. She has a power of resistance and endurance that is peculiar to herself. She has a birthright of principle which cannot be bought for a mess of pottage. With implicit confidence in what God has written, she is neither ashamed nor afraid of the old foundations of the Prophets and Apostles. She knows that "Other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid. which is Jesus Christ". This she believes and preaches "For there is none other Name under Heaven given among men whereby we must be saved".

Clinging to the Word and the Sacraments, God's all sufficient Means of Grace, and also the power of God unto Salvation to everyone that believeth, may it not be said, that her position to-day is one of great opportunity, and like Esther of old, has she not "Come to the kingdom for a time like this"?

May God give us grace to recognize the golden scepter of opportunity, held out to us by our Great King, and may we enter diligently upon the life-saving work assigned to us.

While to some of our brethren, especially those of the stricken district of the Pacific Coast, great calamities have come, to us it has been a year most richly blessed of God. Our Synodical roll has not been affected by a single death, and a loving Providence has smiled bountifully upon us as a people, for which let us thank God and take courage.

Resignations

Under date of July 31, 1905, I received a letter from the Rev. P. C. Wike, saying that he had resigned the Colburn Parish in order to accept a call to become General Secretary of the Colburn Academy. His resignation was to take effect August 6, 1905.

The Rev. Herbert Martens, pastor of the East Germantown Parish wrote me under date of November 11, that he had resigned the East Germantown Parish, in order to accept a call from the Saltsburg Lutheran Parish in Pennsylvania. His resignation was to take effect December 31, 1905.

I was informed by the Rev. L. J. Baker, under date of October 18, 1905, that he had resigned as pastor of Epiphany Church, Chicago, in order to accept a call to the Lutheran congregation at Zelienople, Pa. His resignation was to take effect on the second Sunday in Nov., 1905.

Under date of January 4, 1906, the Rev. D. L. Reese informed me that, he had resigned the Whitestown Parish. The resignation was to take effect at once.

Under date of January 17, 1906, I received a letter from the Rev. Wm. L. Hunton, Ph. D., informing me that, he had resigned Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Chicago, Ill. The resignation was to take effect March 1, 1906.

Under date of February 5, 1906, I was informed by the Rev. M. E. Boulton that he had resigned the First English Lutheran Church of Mishawaka, Ind., in order to accept a call to the Lutheran Parish at The Dalles, Ore. His resignation was to take effect April 1, 1906.

A letter from the Rev. L. W. Steckel, under date of April 5, 1906, informed me that, he had resigned St. James' Lutheran Parish, Chicago, in order to accept a call to the First English Lutheran Church of Mishawaka, Ind. His resignation was to take effect the last Sunday in April, 1906.

April 10, 1906, the Syracuse Parish informed me that, the Rev. Theodore Weiskotten had resigned that Parish. His resignation was to take effect at once.

Under date of April 19, 1906, I was informed by the Rev. L. P. Pence that, he had resigned the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Atonement, in order to accept a call to the Lutheran Parish at West Carrollton, Ohio. His resignation was to take effect the first Sunday in May, 1906.

Under date of May 16, 1906, I received a letter from the Rev. Wm. J. Finck, informing me that, he had resigned St. John's English Lutheran Church of Anderson, Ind., in order to accept a call to the Lutheran Church at Augusta, Ga. His resignation was to take effect June 6, 1906.

Under date of June 4, 1906, the Rev. A. L. Bolick informed me that he had resigned the Nappanee Lutheran Parish, his resignation to take effect September 30, 1906.

Calls accepted

Under date of October 27, 1905, the Rev. E. Parker Conrad of Winston Salem, N. C., informed me that, he had accepted a call to Colburn Parish and would begin the work November 12, 1905.

Under date of November 10, 1905, the Rev. J. H. Wannemacher of Tescott, Kan. wrote me that, he had accepted a call to the Hicksville Parish and would begin the work December 10, 1905.

The Rev. Charles R. Dunlap wrote me under date of February 8, 1906, that he had accepted a joint call from the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Chicago, Ill., and the General Council's Home Mission Board, and had begun work as pastor of the Church of the Redeemer, February 1, 1906.

Student Andrew M. Sappenfield, of the Senior Class of the Chicago Seminary of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, wrote me under date of March 20, 1906, that he had accepted a call to the Corydon Parish, and would begin the work at the close of the Seminary year in April.

Under date of May 8, 1906, Student R. C. Kaufman, of the Senior Class of Mt. Airy Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, wrote me that he had accepted a call from the General Council's Home Mission Board to become pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer at Aurora, Ill., and that he would begin the work after the meeting of our Synod.

Installations

August 13, 1905, in Mt. Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Knox Co., Indiana, the Rev. H. J. Mathias was installed pastor of the Newberry Parish by the Rev. Isaiah Whitman.

July 9, 1905, the Rev. L. J. Baker was installed pastor of the Epiphany Lutheran Parish, Chicago, Ill., by the Rev. A. C. Anda.

June 10, 1906, the Rev. L. W. Steckel was installed pastor of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church of Mishawaka, Ind., by the President of Synod.

Applications for Membership

The Rev. E. Parker Conrad, who has accepted a call to the Colburn Parish, has presented a letter of honorable dismissal from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of North Carolina, and has applied for membership in this Synod.

The Rev. Charles R. Dunlap, who has accepted a call to the Church of the Redeemer, Chicago, Ill., presented a letter of honorable dismissal from the Olive Branch Synod, and has made application for membership in this Synod.

The Rev. J. H. Wannemacher, who has accepted a call to the Hicksville Parish, has presented letters of good and regular standing in the Joint Synod of Ohio, and has applied for membership in this Synod.

Student Andrew M. Sappenfield, who has accepted a call to the Corydon Parish, has made application for ordination at this Convention of Synod.

Student R. C. Kanfman, who has accepted a call to the Church of the Redeemer, Aurora, Ill., states that he will be ordained by his Mother Synod, the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, and that he will be present at this meeting of Synod with proper papers and will conform to what is necessary to become a member of this Synod.

All of these applications, together with all accompanying papers are in the hands of the Examining Committee of this Synod.

The Church of the Reformation at Buckley, Ill., was organized April 22, 1906. The congregation is making application for admission into this Synod through the Rev. A. C. Anda.

Dismissals

Under date of January 14, 1906, the Rev. L. J. Baker applied for a letter of dismissal to the Pittsburg Synod, on the grounds that he had accepted a call to a parish of that Synod, at Zelienople, Pa. A letter of dismissal was granted him to the Pittsburg Synod, under date of February 3, 1906.

The Rev. Herbert Martens wrote me under date of February 1, 1906, asking a letter of dismissal to the Pittsburg Synod, on the grounds that he had accepted a call to a parish of that Synod, at Saltsburg, Pa. A letter of dismissal to the Pittsburg Synod was granted him under date of February 6, 1906.

Under date of April 2, 1906, the Rev. M. E. Boulton applied for a letter of dismissal to the Pacific Synod, he having accepted a call from a parish of that Synod at The Dalles, Ore. A letter of dismissal was granted him to the Pacific Synod, under date of April 2, 1906.

Under date of May 9, 1906, the Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D. applied for a letter of dismissal to the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, on the grounds that, he was now located in Philadelphia, Pa. A letter of dismissal to the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania was granted him May 11, 1906.

The Rev. L. P. Pence, in a letter of May 15, 1906, applied for a letter of dismissal to the Evangelical Lutheran District Synod of Ohio; he having accepted a call from a parish of that Synod, at West Carrollton, Ohio. He was granted a letter of dismissal to the District Synod of Ohio under date of May 16, 1906.

Dedications

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Detroit, Michigan, in which we convene to-day, was dedicated October 8, 1905, by the Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D. D., assisted by the Rev. J. A. Miller, pastor.

St. James' Evangelical Lutheran Church of Claremont, Illinois; the Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, pastor, was dedicated October 22, 1905, by the President of Synod, assisted by the pastor *loci*, the Rev. Elmer D. S. Boyer and the Rev. Jno. Knauer.

Corner-stone Laying

The Corner-stone of the First English Evangelical Lutheran Church at Wheeler, Illinois, the Rev. John Knauer, pastor, was laid October 15, 1905, by the Rev. S. D. Myers, assisted by the pastor *loci*.

The Corner-stone of the Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Elgin, Illinois, the Rev. Paul W. Roth, pastor, was laid June 10, 1906 by the pastor, assisted by the Rev. A. C. Anda.

Supplies

On April 16, 1906, I was informed that the Syracuse Parish had arranged to have Student J. J. Myers of the Chicago Seminary to supply the parish during the Summer vacation.

Under date of May 15, 1906, the Rev. Wm. J. Finck of Anderson, Indiana, wrote me as follows: "I wish to add to my letter the official information, that the Church Council has secured the services of the Rev. D. L. Reese, to supply the field until fall, with a view of accepting a call if his health permits, and if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the General Council Home Mission Board".

Vacancies

Out of eleven pastors who resigned during the year, only two have accepted parish work in our Synod. Nevertheless, the vacancies left over from last year have been filled, and as many of this year's vacancies as it has been possible to find good pastors for. Recommendations

have been made, and correspondence is now going on, looking to an early call to fill them all. At present, Holy Trinity, St. James', Atonement and Epiphany of Chicago; East Germantown and Whitestown Parishes of Indiana are vacant. Let us pray and work that the proper pastors be speedily located within these parishes.

Our Missionary Work

The Missionary work of our Synod is fast becoming of primary importance. The position and work of our Home Mission Committee is of equal importance, and in order that the Missions and Missionaries may not be confused as to their relations to the Home Mission Committee in the adjustment of their local affairs, would it not be well for Synod to define the duties and powers of this most important arm of her activity?

It was with a great deal of regret and anxiety that we learned of the death of Miss Clara Graff of Philadelphia, the kind donor of the beautiful Church of our Blessed Savionr at Alexandria, Indiana. Miss Graff had not made the transfer of the beautifnl property to the Church before her death, but all has been legally and satisfactorily adjnsted.

Documents of the Alexandria Church Property

The Rev. William J. Finck has sent to me for the Trustees of Synod, all the papers bearing on the transfer of the Alexandria Church property. This beautiful house of worship, built in pressed brick, was erected by the late Miss Clara Graff of Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa., as a gift to the Mission Work of the Middle West, and in particular to the Lutheran people of Alexandria, Indiana. Her only requirement made before selecting this field for the place that shonld receive the benefit of her benevolence was, that Synod should maintain a Mission with full services at this point. On the twenty-third of last December, Miss Graff departed this life, and since her death, the executor of her will, Mr. E. G. Hamersly of Philadelphia, has by power invested in him by Miss Graff's will, transferred the property to our Trustees, in trust nevertheless for the Chnrch of our Blessed Savionr of Alexandria, Ind. The transfer was made through the co-operation of the Rev. Mr. Finck, who as representative of the kind donor, had the supervision of the construction, equipment, and dedication of the edifice.

The following is a complete list of the documents:

1. The Deed, made by the executor to the Trnstees of Synod, and recorded in Madison County, Indiana, Record Book No. 172, page 353.

2. A Certified Copy of the Will, probated and registered in the office of the Register of Wills in and for the County of Philadelphia, in Will book No. 272, page 149.

3. The Abstract of the Property, together with tax receipts, and receipts for brick street improvements on both sides of church property; also, the original deed by which the property came into the possession of Miss Graff.

4. Fire Insurance Policies, four in number, covering the building and furniture to the amount of five thousand dollars, ($5,000.00) and extending to April 26, 1912.

Mr. Finck also informs me, that on Easter evening of this year, he assisted the pastor Rev. J. C. Dietz, in a very interesting service, at which a modest bronze tablet was unveiled. The wording of the tablet is as follows:

THIS CHURCH
WAS BUILT A. D. 1903 BY
CLARA GRAFF
OF PHILADELPHIA, PA.
TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND PRESENTED TO
HIS WORSHIPING PEOPLE

It was upon the earnest entreaty of Mr. Finck that Miss Graff consented to the execution of this tablet, but only on the positive condition that its erection should be delayed till after her death. It has found a fitting place in the north wall of the main room, and rests firmly on a marble slab.

May the example of this good woman constrain others to use a part of their blessings received from God, to some noble cause in His kingdom.

Educational Work

Our Synod had two young men in the Chicago Seminary last year, and one in Lima College.

Mr. Andrew M. Sappenfield graduated from the Seminary this Spring, accepted a call to one of the Synod's Missions, and has applied for ordination at this convention of Synod.

Mr. Calvin Brewer completed the first year's work in the Seminary this Spring.

Mr. S. L. Boger graduates from Lima College this Spring

Do our pastors not know of other bright yonng men who are willing to consecrate their lives to the noble work of the ministry? Pastors, encourage your noble boys to consider this good work, for without recruits the Church will suffer.

Division of the Whitestown Parish

Based upon Section 2 of Article IX of Synod's Constitution, which reads as follows: "Each Congregation shall make due and liberal provision for the support of the Gospel aod the ministration of the Word and Sacraments among its members, and endeavor to arrange for at least one service every Lord's Day"; the Chicago Synod in sessioo at Whitestown, in 1898, (see page 26 of Whitestown Minutes) recommended that the Whitestown Parish be divided. Under date of January 20, 1906, a letter was received from the Home Mission Director of our Synod, which reads as follows: "I was also instructed by the Committee to urge you to use your influeoce at Whitestown, in arranging for a new pastor, to make every effort to carry out the resolution of Synod, to have the Darlington Church (St. James') withdraw from the charge. If this can be accomplished, the Crawfordsville work can be connected with it, and a new charge at once established".

Under date of January 24, a letter was received from the corresponding secretary of the Whitestown Parish, saying, that the congregations of the Whitestown Parish desired more preaching than was possible for them to have with the parish consisting of four congregations, so widely separated. He asked for official instruction as to how the Synodical Constitution and the former recommendations of Synod might be complied with. Under date of March 10, 1906, a letter from the corresponding secretary stated that, St. Mark's at Whitestown, and Salem at New Augusta, together with the Union congregation near Whitestown, were desirous of forming a charge, known hereafter as the Whitestown Parish. This same letter requested that I visit the parish officially, and preach for, and hold a free conference with each congregation, and give opportunity for any questions to be asked and officially answered. In obedience to this request, I visited the parish, preached at St. James' on the evening of April 25, called the congregation into a business meetiog, explained the situation, and encouraged the asking of any question upon the subject. The congregational meetiog had not been called according to the requirements of their constitution, and hence no expression of the congregation on the question was taken.

On the evening of April 26, I preached at St. Mark's, Whitestown, and rendered the same explanation in the congregational meeting which followed. The congregational meeting was properly called to express itself upon the question, and out of 103 ballots, 101 were for dividing; 2 opposing it.

On the evening of April 27, I preached at Salem, New Augusta, and also held a congregational meeting and rendered the same explanation that I had to the other congregations of the parish. This congregation also voted to divide the parish.

Under date of June 8, 1906, I received an official statement from the Council of St. James' congregation, in which they say that they as a congregation will not by their own action sever their relations with the other congregations, that at present form the Whitestown Parish. They say further, that if the other members or congregations of the Whitestown Parish, and Synod, in their wisdom and love for the good of our Church in general, see fit to divide the parish, that it be done only after proper provision has been made for the needs and development of St. James'. This official statement in full is in the hands of the President.

Need of the Lutheran in the Homes

A correct knowledge of the Lutheran Church was the great need that was apparent in every parish with which your President has been called to consult or advise. The Lutheran Church's power, needs, activities and opportunities are too meagerly known by the masses of our membership, to beget a loving support. If every pastor would be diligent and persistent in his endeavor to get the families to subscribe for, and read THE LUTHERAN, it would go far to solve the problem of men and means to take care of our future opportunities.

The General Council

The Thirtieth Convention of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, held in the Church of the Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wis., the Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D., pastor, Oct. 12-17, 1905, was of great interest to the Lutheran Church of this country.

Our Synod was represented by a full official delegation, both clerical and lay. The various departments of the Church showed a commendable growth, and in addition to these, the Council created a Slovak Board, whose duty it is to supervise the Slovak work within our Council. The most important action of the Council concerning our Synod, is that of the Unification of English Home Missions (see page 217 of Minutes

of Council). The keynote of the action is expressed in the first item, which reads as follows: "The English Home Mission Board shall consist of seven member, elected by the General Council, together with one member elected by each District Synod co-operating, on its Home Mission Board." It was also resolved by the General Council, that the Committee on Unification be continued, (see page 226 of Minutes of General Council) and that the action of the different District Synods be reported to this Committee, which Committee shall report the same to the General Council on Saturday morning of its next Convention.

Recommendation

Your President most respectfully recommends that, Synod define the duties and power of the Home Mission Committee more fully than it has already done, in Article IX of our Constitution, and in Section 3 of Article II of our By-Laws.

Conclusion

Now, dear brethren, I have submitted to you a report of your President's work during the interim, and in doing so, I want to thank you, one and all, for the kind Christian spirit you have shown your President in the many-sided and ofttimes perplexing work with which he had to deal. In adjusting the work of Synod during the year, my inability was most painfully in evidence many, many times. But by the grace of God, I have done the best I could. And now may God's richest blessings abide upon and guide this Synod here assembled, and the Church it represents.

Most respectfully submitted,

LUTHER HOGSHEAD.

The Report was received and referred to the Committee on President's Report.

Election of Officers

The President appointed Rev. E. D. S. Boyer, Rev. Wm. Brenner and Mr. J. Frank Laughner as tellers.

The election resulted as follows:

President, The Rev. Luther Hogshead, Goshen, Ind.
Secretary, The Rev. H. B. Reed, Chicago, Ill.
Treasurer, The Rev. Isaiah Whitman, Hillsboro, Ind.

The Rev. H. Peters, D. D., of Decatur, Ill., delivered his address on "The Church Paper; Why it should be in the Home." The discussion of Dr. Peters' paper was opened by the Rev. I. Whitman of Hillsboro, Ind.

The hours for opening and closing the daily sessions were fixed as follows: 8:30 to 11:30 for the morning; 2:00 to 4:30 for the afternoon, and 7:30 for beginning the evening service. The hour for hearing the afternoon paper was fixed at 3:00 o'clock.

It was announced that the evening service would be held in St. Paul's Church, Sixteenth and Breckenridge Streets.

The President appointed the

Regular Committees

Credentials of Lay Delegates—Rev. Z. M. Corbe(l), Rev. H. J. Mathias, Rev. A. L. Boliek.

President's Report—Rev. M. E. Haberland, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Mr. Josiah Rothenberger.

On Protocol and Minutes—Rev. Wm. Brenner, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield.

On Absentees—Rev. Elmer D. S. Boyer, Rev. Geo. F. Dittmar, Mr. E. F. Kuhns.

On Press—For The Lutheran, Rev. Prof. G. H. Gerberding, D.D.
For The Local Press, Rev. Wm. C. Miller.

On Conference—Rev. L. W. Steckel, Rev. S. D. Myers.

Auditing Committee—Messrs. Edward Bartholomew, J. Frank Laughner, Jno. L. Reuter.

The President also completed the

Standing Committees

Examination—Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Rev. Hiram Peters, D. D., Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. Wm. J. Seiberling.

Home Missions—Rev. A. C. Anda, Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D. Rev. P. C. Wike, Rev. Paul W. Roth, Rev. A. D. Crile, Messrs. A. W. Ackemann, Chas. Severinghaus, Geo. W. Wehmeyer, C. T. A. Anderson.

Foreign Missions—Rev. S. D. Myers, Rev. Wm. Brenner, Mr. Edward Valbracht.

Education—Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. H. B. Reed, Mr. A. A. Sellers.

Benevolence—Rev. A. L. Boliek, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Mr. Fred Rietzkat.

Discipline—Rev. Hiram Peters, D. D., Rev. P. J. Gerberding, Rev. H. J. Mathias, Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. I. Whitman.

Reception of Congregations—Rev. M. E. Haberland, Rev. P. J. Gerberding, Mr. O. J. Mennen.

Parochial Reports and Apportionments—Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Rev. Z. M. Corbe(t), Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Messrs. W. B. Myers, N. W. Cosner.

Synod adjourned at 5:00 o'clock, being led in prayer by the Rev. J. R. E. Hunt.

Second Session

Christ Church, Detroit, Michigan,
June 14, 1906, 8:30 a. m.

Devotional Services were conducted by the Rev. G. F. Dittmar.

The roll was called. The minutes of the first session were read and adopted.

Report of the Examining Committee

The following named ordained ministers called by congregations the Chicago Synod have applied for membership. The requirements of the constitution have been observed in the case of each applicant:

I. The Rev. Edward Parker Conrad, honorably dismissed from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod and Ministerium of North Carolina, called to the Colburn Parish, and became resident pastor Nov. 12, 1905.

II. The Rev. Charles R. Dunlap, honorably dismissed from the Olive Branch Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (G. S.); called by the Home Mission Board of the General Council, and by the Church of the Redeemer, Chicago, Ill., entered upon his work as missionary February 1, 1906.

III. The Rev. John Henry Wannemacher, called to the Hicksville Parish, of which he assumed charge Dec. 10, 1905; formerly connected with the Kansas and Nebraska District of the Joint Synod of Ohio. The rule of this Synod forbids dismission to any body not connected with the Joint Synod, but the President has furnished him a cordial letter of recommendation addressed "To whom it may concern".

IV. The Rev. Curtis G. Stacy, called by the Mission Committee of the Chicago Synod, to work in an undeveloped mission field at Chicago Heights, Ill., and honorably dismissed from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the North West to this body.

V. The Rev. Roger C. Kaufman, called by the Home Mission Board of the General Council to a newly organized mission congregation at Aurora, Ill., recently ordained by the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, and honorably dismissed to this body.

The Committee respectfully recommends, that these brethren be received by separate vote, and after signing the constitution, be enrolled as members.

VI. Student Andrew M. Sappenfield, a recent graduate of the Theological Seminary at Chicago, Ill., having accepted a call from the Corydon Parish, desires to be ordained. He has been duly examined as to his attainments and personal fitness for the ministry.

The Committee recommends that his request be granted; that the ordination take place at the morning service next Lord's day, and that the Rev. Austin D. Crile be appointed to preach the ordination sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted by items and as a whole.

After the adoption of the report of the Examining Committee, the brethren coming to us from other bodies were introduced to Synod by the Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Chairman of the Examining Committee, and were

welcomed by President Hogshead. These brethren then signed the Synodical Constitution, and their names were added to the "Roll of Ministers."

A letter addressed to the "Brethren of the Chicago Synod" from the Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D., of Milwaukee, Wis., who had been appointed Fraternal Visitor from the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the North West, to the Chicago Synod was read.

The communication assured us that the Synod of the North West had, last year, received our Fraternal Visitor. the Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., with great pleasure, Regrets were expressed, that the writer, owing to other duties, was unable to be with us in person.

Dr. Frick dwelt upon the conditions, tasks, problems and opportunities which are common to the Chicago Synod and the Synod of the North West, laying especial stress upon our educational problem.

The letter was received and referred to the Committee on Education.

A letter from the Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D., our Fraternal Visitor to the Synod of the North West in 1905, was read. The letter was received and referred to the Committee on Education.

A letter from the Secretary of the General Council, informing us of the amount that had been apportioned the Chicago Synod, towards meeting the expenses incurred in connection with the last meeting of the General Council was read. The amount, ($60) was ordered paid.

Treasurer's Report

June 12, 1905 to June 4, 1906

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand at last report	$ 130	24
Offerings at Synod for Benevolence	15	73
" " " " Education	13	17
" " " " Foreign Missions	20	63
" " " " Seminary in Chicago	32	70
" " " " Synodical Home Missions	9	30
For Church Extension of the General Council	177	72
" Colburn Academy	50	32
" Home Missions of the General Council	57	35
" Foreign Missions, Special Offering	102	10
" Synodical Home Missions, Special Offering	14	30
" Seminary in Chicago	85	92
" Works of Mercy	22	73
On Apportionments	3367	98
Total Receipts		$4113 61

DISBURSEMENTS

To Beneficiary Education	$ 300	00
" Church Extension of the General Council	177	72
" Colburn Academy	50	32
" Home Missions of the General Council	57	35
" Foreign Missions	552	10
" Synodical Expenses	263	35
" Seminary in Chicago	85	92
" Synodical Home Missions	2481	01
" Works of Mercy	22	73
" Cash on hand	123	11
Total Disbursements		$4113 61

RECEIPTS IN DETAIL

June 12, 1905 to June 4, 1906

Parish	Congregation	Del'y	Appo't	Spec'l	Total
Alexandria	Our Saviour	$ 2 88	$ 16 20	$	$ 19 08
Anderson	St. John's	25 75	64 62		90 37
"	Mt. Zion's		19 17		19 17
Chicago	Holy Trinity		210 87	15 00	225 87
"	Wicker Park		320 92	25 00	345 92
"	St. Mark's		80 35		80 35
"	St. James'		10 00		10 00
"	St. Matthew's		25 00	10 00	35 00
"	St. Peter's		90 44	15 00	105 44
"	St. Luke's		50 00		50 00
"	St. John's		18 40	11 00	29 40
"	Atonement	19 80			19 80
"	Epiphany				
Chicago, Austin	Redeemer		9 00		9 00
Claremont	St James'		28 15	8 00	36 15
"	St. Paul's		9 00		9 00
Colburn	St. John's		32 00		32 00
"	Zion's		39 76	2 65	42 41
"	Bethel				
Corydon	Mt. Solomon		12 30		12 30
Decatur	First English	14 54	66 69	68 34	149 57
Detroit	St. Paul's	10 00		35 00	45 00
"	Christ		42 60	7 00	49 60
East Germantown	Zion's		15 00		15 00
"	St. Jacob's		17 74		17 74
"	St. John's	9 18	31 51		40 69
Elgin	Holy Trinity		195 25		195 25
Fort Wayne	Holy Trinity		500 00		500 00
Frankfort	St. Paul's		72 42	34 17	106 59
Gila	Union		44 10	8 00	52 10
"	Olney				
Goshen	First English	43 82	81 83	17 20	142 85
Hicksville	St. John's	10 49	52 55		63 04
"	Lost Creek		49 70	26 00	75 70
"	Zion's				
Lafayette	Holy Trinity		27 60	14 47	42 07
Mishawaka	First English		18 00		18 00
Mulberry	Zion's		81 25		81 25
"	Fair Haven		87 05		87 05
Newberry	St. Peter's		28 15	2 55	30 70
"	Mt. Zion		39 05	9 45	48 50
Rochester	St. Paul's		58 21		58 21
"	St. John's		15 30		15 30
South Bend	Holy Trinity		48 61		48 61
Syracuse	St. Paul's		22 20	23 02	45 22
"	Grace	3 40	19 80	4 30	27 50
Nappanee	Emmanuel	10 20	27 00		37 20
"	St. John's		12 35		12 35
Vandalia	St. James'		81 50	82 26	163 76
Wallace	Phanuel		76 68	17 80	94 48
"	Emmanuel		22 73		22 73
"	Philadelphia		15 63		15 63
Whitestown	Union		14 91		14 91
"	Salem's		56 60		56 60
"	St. Mark's	46 05	98 68		144 63
"	St. James'		78 81		78 81
Aurora	Redeemer				

Of the fifty-seven congregations in Synod, twenty-nine have paid their apportionment in full, or overpaid. The following are delinquent to the amounts designated.

Chicago, St. James'	$	26 00
" St. Matthew's		33 20
" St. John's		71 04
" Atonement		24 00
" Epiphany		32 40
Claremont, St. James'		124 98
" St. Paul's		30 88
Colburn, St. John's		19 83
" Bethel		40 52
Corydon, Mt. Solomon		283 75
Decatur, First English		14 27
Detroit, St. Paul's		70 73
East Germantown, Zion's		167 62
Gila, Union		397 10
" Olney		6 00
Goshen, First English		117 05
Hicksville, Zion's		26 21
Mishawaka, First English		9 00
Mulberry, Zion's		27 38
" Fair Haven		16 61
Newberry, St. Peter's		25 88
Nappanee, St. John's		12 85
Rochester, St. Paul's		7 34
" St. John's		8 07
Syracuse, Grace		16 40
Vandalia, St. James'		7 96
Whitestown, Salem's		19 37
Aurora, Redeemer		12 00
Total Delinquency		$1640 44

The following amounts have been received since June 4, and are credited as follows:

Goshen, First English	$	57 77
East Germantown, Zion's		32 66
Frankfort, St. Paul's		5 20

Vandalia, St. James'	$ 00
Colburn, Bethel	21 09
Gila, Union	6 65
Colburn, St. John's	26 83
Claremont, St. James'	11 85
Syracuse, Grace	8 00
Rochester, St. Paul's	7 34
" St. John's	8 07
Chicago, St. Matthew's	33 20
Mulberry, Zion's	27 39
" Fair Haven	16 61
Nappanee, St. John's	4 45
Mishawaka, First English	9 00
Newberry, St. Peter's	10 03
Corydon, Mt. Solomon	10 00
Hicksville, Zion's	6 65
Chicago, Atonement	24 00
Aurora, Redeemer	12 00
Total	$ 346 70

I. WHITMAN, Treas.

The Report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

The delinquency of Mt. Solomon, Corydon, Ind., and the error in the apportionment of St. John's, Nappanee, Ind., were referred to the Committee on Parochial Reports and Apportionments, and the Treasurer of Synod. Other delinquencies were referred to the Committee on Apportionments.

The Secretary reported that, acting under instruction of Synod, he had forwarded to the Rev. G. W. Sandt, Archivist of the General Council, a bound file of the Minutes of the Indiana Synod. The Report was received, and the bill for binding of the Minutes was ordered paid.

The Report of the Home Mission Committee was made the special order of business for Friday at 2 p. m.

Next Convention

The President appointed the Rev. P. C. Wike, the Rev. W. J. Seiberling and Mr. Josiah Rothenberger as tellers.

Invitations for holding the next convention were received from St. Luke's, Chicago, and from St. James', Claremont, Ill.

Synod voted to accept the invitation of St. Luke's, Chicago.

The time for holding the next convention was set for Wednesday after Trinity Sunday, A. D., 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Report of Committee on Conferences

We, your Committee on Conference report that we have examined minutes of Conference and find the following:

1. In the minutes of the Northern Conference in session at Nappanee, Ind., Oct. 31-Nov. 2; approved minutes, page 120, the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Northern Conference of the Chicago Synod request the Chicago Synod to consider and arrange for the equalization of the expense of the clerical delegates to the annual meeting of Synod. This action was concurred in by Southern officers, May 2, 1906, at Mulberry, Ind.

2. In the minutes of the same Convention, page 122, Conference referred the matter of a special Church Extension fund to be used in the Missions of this Synod, to this convention of Synod. We recommend that this matter be discussed.

3. We also find, page 120 of same minutes, a request of the Northern Conference, praying Synod so to amend its Constitution with reference to Conferences, so as to permit the Conferences to meet once a year. Constitution of Synod, Art. X, Sec. 3, clause 1.

THE COMMITTEE.

The following action was taken:

Item 1. Referred back to the Northern Conference with the request to submit a specific plan.

Item 2. Laid on the table.

Item 3. Received as information.

The Report was then received as a whole.

A paper signed by the Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. L. W. Steckel and Rev. P. W. Roth was presented, giving notice of a proposal to change Article X, Section 3, of the Synodical Constitution, by striking out the word "twice" and inserting the word "once".

Report of Committee on Synodical Paper

The Committee on Synodical Paper would respectfully report, that owing to the removal of the chairman and editor, and in view of the fact that the Publication Board, because of our failure to maintain the guaranteed circulation, had for several years been furnishing the edition at an actual loss, it was deemed best to merge the synodical edition with the general edition. This therefore was done in March, and all of our churches had the privilege of continuing at the old synodical special rate.

We as a committee, would therefore recommend that, our thanks be extended to the Publication Board for their leniency and liberality, and also would urge upon all our pastors the importance of increasing the circulation of our Weekly LUTHERAN.

We would also respectfully ask the Synod to discharge the Committee as its continuance is no longer necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Synod adjourned at 11:20 o'clock, led in prayer by the Rev. Hiram Peters, D. D.

Third Session

Christ Church, Detroit, Michigan,
June 14, 1906, 2 p. m.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. S. D. Myers.

The roll was called.

The minutes were read and approved.

Report of Committee on Benevolence

We, your Committee on Benevolence, would recommend, that the offerings received at the services held in the interest of benevolence, Wednesday evening, be equally divided between the Passavant Hospital in Chicago, Ill., and the Orphanage at Zelienople, Pa.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Protocol and Minutes of Previous Convention

1. Your Committee has examined the Secretary's books and finds the proceedings of the last Synodical Convention satisfactorily recorded.

2. That the vacancy occuring in the office of Trustee, by the expiration of Mr. A. G. Webber's term of office be provided for, either by his re-election, or the election of some other person possessing the necessary qualifications, and answering the special needs of the case.

3. In the Home Mission Committee's report, (Minutes 1905, page 36) we find a recommendation for the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society. If this matter has not been attended to, we recommend the appointment of a committee of three, with instructions to prepare a constitution to be submitted to a meeting of the women of our Synod, which this committee shall have power to call.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

The Treasurer of the Home Mission Committee made his report, which was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

(For the Treasnrer's Report, see under the Report of the Home Mission Committee.)

The Rev. J. R. E. Hunt of Chicago read his paper on "What the World owes to Lutheranism."

The discussion on the above paper was opened by the Rev. A. H. Arbaugh of Frankfort, Ind., and was participated in by others.

Synod adjourned at 4:30 o'clock, being led in prayer by the Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D.

Fourth Session

Christ Church, Detroit, Michigan,
June 6, 1906, 8:30 a. m.

The session was begun by devotional exercises, conducted by the Rev. Jno. V. Sappenfield.

The roll was called. The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

Report of the Auditing Committee

Detroit, Michigan, June 14, 1906.

We, the Anditing Committee, have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Treasnrer of Synod, and of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Committee, and find them correct.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Report of Committee on History of Synod and Historical Monographs

We, your Committee on History of Synod and Historical Monographs beg leave to report that, the former chairman, through correspondence with the Rev. M. L. Wagner, learned that good progress has been made in gathering and perfecting the matter connected with the history of the Synod.

Concerning Historical Monographs, little has been done; some parishes have published excellent short histories of their work in their parish papers. The Church of the Holy Trinity, Chicago, during the last year. published a very complete history of their parish.

Whereas the removal of the former chairman has prevented the Committee from accomplishing the work desired by Synod, we would ask the continuance of the Committee another year.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted and the Committee continued.

Report of Committee on President's Report

1. We recommend that the official acts of the President of Synod be approved.

2. We recommend that the matter of the Whitestown Parish be referred to a committee.

3. Whereas the work of Synod has reached such proportions which require more time than the President of Synod is able to give, by reason of the demands of the parish which he serves, therefore we recommend, That the Synod take under consideration the advisability of making the office of president a paid office, so that while president, he shall not serve any congregation as regular pastor, but give all his time to the work of Synod.

THE COMMITTEE.

The following action was taken on the above report:

Item 1. Adopted.

Item 2. This item, referring to the Whitestown Parish was referred to the Committee on Reception of Congregations.

Item 3. Referred to the parishes of Synod for consideration, their action to be reported to Synod next year.

The following action was taken by Synod:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Synod be, and is hereby authorized to pay the actual expenses of the President, in the discharge of his official duties, to the extent that he has not been reimbursed by the parishes visited.

Report of Committee on Education

Your Committee would respectfully offer the following report:

Thursday evening of our Synodical week was appointed for the presentation of the work of education. Addresses were delivered and an offering was received.

The beneficiaries of our Synod have enjoyed good health during the past Synodical year, and the best reports are given us concerning their application and behavior.

Andrew M. Sappenfield graduated from our Seminary in Chicago, and applies for ordination at this convention of Synod.

Sylvester Boger enters the Seminary in Chicago this fall.

Calvin S. Brewer will enter the second year work in the Seminary this fall.

Oliver Yung will either enter our Seminary this fall or return during the ensuing year the money loaned to him. He purposes however, to enter the Seminary at some time. His delay, we trust, is only temporary.

Edward Valbracht of St. Luke's Chicago, is stndying in Wittenberg College, Springfield, Ohio.

Howard E. Snyder, whom we assisted several years ago, graduates from Mt. Airy Seminary this spring, and will be located as pastor in Wildwood, N. J.

We offer the following recommendations:

1. That the offering for Education, amounting to $10.37 be given to the Colburn Academy.

2. That the sum of $100 be granted to Calvin S. Brewer, during the ensuing year.

3. That $100 be granted to Sylvester L. Boger.

4. There is a probable applicant, having the proper qualifications entitling him to help, whom we hope will apply for aid, and begin preparation for the great work of the Ministry this fall. We recommend that $100 be placed at the disposal of the Committee, to be used provided the application be properly made, and accepted by your Committee.

Concerning the correspondence referred to your Committee from the Fraternal Visitor of the Synod of the North West, we find a request for a conference upon the subject of education.

We believe the conditions in the educational field are similar in our Synods, and a join conference would be helpful, therefore we recommend; that our Synod appoint a committee to meet a similar committee from the Synod of the North West, in conference upon the educational situation, and report to our next convention.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was received, considered and adopted by items and as a whole.

Synod adjourned at 11:35 with prayer by the Rev. John H. Wannemacher.

Fifth Session

St. Paul's Church, Detroit, Michigan,
June 15, 1906, 2 p. m.

Devotions were in charge of the Rev. P. J. Gerberding.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and adopted.

Report of Delegates to the General Council

We the delegates of the Chicago Synod to the Thirtieth Convention of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America, report that, this great Lutheran body convened October 12, 1905, in the Church of the Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wis.—Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D., pastor. The Chicago Synod had her full delegation present, both clerical and lay. This convention of the General Council at Milwaukee, was not only a flattering recognition of English Lutheranism in Wisconsin and the North-west, hut it was a great demonstration that the General Council is a mighty Christian force in our land, that is teaching and preaching the pnre doctrine of God's Word.

All of the varions activities and departments of her work showed a commendable progress in the work as a whole.

A new department of activity was created in the formulation of a Slovak Board (see page 226, G. C. minutes, 1905), a hoard to provide for the many Lutheran Slovaks in the territory of the Conncil.

A Board of Inner Missions was also created, which is a forward step.

A Committee was appointed with instructions to consider the advisability of locating one of the General Boards in Chicago.

While every department of the Council's activities should he of the greatest interest to each and all of the Synods that make up the Council, yet to us of the Chicago Synod, that which will affect our Synodical life most, is the unification of the English Home Missions of the General Conncil.

The keynote of the proposed Unification Plan, is expressed in items two and four as they appear in the printed minutes, page 217, which read as follows:

2. "The English Home Mission Board shall consist of seven members elected by the General Conncil, together with one member elected hy each District Synod co-operating, on its Home Mission Board."

4. Auxiliary thereto, each Synod shall have a Home Mission Board, consisting of such members as Synod may select, together with one advisory member, named by the General Board."

The General Conncil recommended (see page 218 of minntes, item 1) "That this plan be submitted to the District Synods for final decision and action at their next convention."

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

The Home Mission Committee presented a report. While under consideration, the hour for h the afternoon paper arrived, and further discussion Report was deferred until Saturday morning, wl was made the first order of business.

The Rev. Paul W. Roth, of Elgin, Ill., read his on "Lutheranism of our Land." He presented a se six theses on his subject, which formed the basis discussion which followed.

Synod adjourned at 4:30 o'clock, led in prayer l Rev. H. J. Mathias.

Sixth Session

Christ Church, Detroit, Mich
June 16, 1906, 8:30 a. m.

The devotions were in charge of the Rev. J Conrad.

The roll was called. The minutes of the prev session were read and adopted.

The Report of the Home Mission Committee w was made the special order for this morning's ses was taken up. After some discussion, final action u the same was deferred until afternoon.

Report of Committee on Reception of Congregatio

I. Application has been made by the Rev. A. C. Anda in beha the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Reformation, of Buckley, I

Whereas, This congregation has not sent an official communication signed by the officers of the congregation, and whereas, the organization is not completed, we therefore recommend,

1. That the congregation perfect its organization.

2. That an official communication, signed by the officers of the congregation, be presented by a duly authorized commissioner.

II. Whereas the Whitestown Parish, in its present organization is too large for one man to serve with proper efficiency, for the development of the several congregations, and whereas in dividing this parish, one congregation will be left without the ability to sustain itself, and whereas, there is some difference of opinion as to how the division shall be made, we therefore recommend:

1. That the President visit this parish in person, or send a representative, who shall endeavor to bring about such division as shall be agreeable to the majority of all concerned.

2. That the congregation which shall need support to sustain itself, be referred to the Mission Committee which shall provide the necessary means.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Report of the Board of Trustees of the Colburn Academy

Colburn Academy makes its bow at this Convention of Synod, after the most prosperons year in its history, under most trying circumstances.

At a meeting of the Board, July 17, 1905, it was decided that Colburn was no longer a suitable place for our institution, and action was taken which resulted in temporarily locating at Mulberry. A room was secured in the modern school building, and the Academy opened September 4, with eleven students enrolled. Two weeks later, the trustees demanded the room for township purposes, and the Academy was moved to the chapel in Zion's Church, were it continued its work until the close of the school year, May 2.

In spite of these discouraging features, without a permanent home, the enrollment increased 300 per cent., forty-four students being enrolled during the year; twenty in the Academy and twenty-four in the Grammar department.

At a later meeting of the Board, Mulberry was selected as the p manent location, the citizens of Mulberry and vicinity donat $4,000.00, and ten acres of land. A twenty acre plat of ground v secured, and a landscape architect employed to beautify the grour with drive-ways, walks and trees.

Plans and specifications for our first building are nearing completic It will be a three story building, 50x75 feet, with brick walls concrete foundation. The cost will be about $10,000.00.

The Rev. P. C. Wike has been called as Financial Secretary, a: began the work August 7, 1905.

A catalogue is ready for the press, and it will contain full inform tion concerning the course of study, and the additional instructo employed.

Among the students enrolled during the past two years, five hav expressed their intention of studying for the Gospel Ministry; two (these are ready for the Freshman year of college work.

The religious instruction during the past year was given in th form of daily lectures, based on Bible Teachings of our G. C. Grade System, together with memory work.

The Board has endeavored to carry on the work in full accordanc with the resolutions adopted at the last convention of Synod, and wil make such changes in the name, charter and course of studies, a: circumstances will warrant. The prospect for an increasing number of students is exceedingly encouraging. The Board is mindful of the growing need of an Educational Institution on the territory of Synod, and this is what has prompted them to take these forward steps. They rely on the help of God, and with God all things are possible.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. SEIBERLING,

Secretary of the Board.

The Report was received and ordered spread upon the Minutes.

Synod voted to open the doors of our congregations to the Financial Secretary of the Colburn Academy.

Synod adjourned at 11:50 with prayer led by the Rev. Roger C. Kaufman.

Seventh Session

Detroit, Michigan, June 16, 1906
2 p. m.

Devotions were conducted by the Rev. L. W. Steckel.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions

We beg leave to report, that the requested evening service was held in the interest of Foreign Missions, and that progress is being made in this great work of the Church among the people who are "living in darkness and under the shadow of death."

Your Committee has learned through the General Secretary, the Rev. Geo. Drach, that more men and money are needed to carry on this work.

We found that the Luther League of St. Peter's, Chicago, Rev. H. B. Reed, pastor, has supported a scholarship in the Boys' School at Rajahmundry at a cost of $30.00 per year.

Also the Luther League of St. James', Vandalia, Ill., Rev. S. D. Myers, pastor, is supporting a scholarship in the Girls' School, at a cost of $15.00 per year.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of Zion's Congregation of the Mulherry Parish, Rev. W. J. Seiberling, pastor, supports two Boy's scholarships in the Boys' School, at Rajahmundry, India, at a cost of $60.00 per annnm.

The Sunday School of Holy Trinity, Chicago, supports one scholarship in the Boys' School, at $30.00 per year.

The Bible Story class of St. Paul's Sunday School, Frankfort, Ind., Miss Bertha Ziebarth, teacher, also sent $30.00 during the year to the Foreign Mission Work.

In accordance with the action of Synod last year, the Treasurer of our Synod has paid to the Foreign Mission Treasurer $125.00 toward the support of a native helper. Through the Rev. Geo. Drach, we learned that, the Rev. J. William, a native ordained pastor, was supported by this fund.

Your Committee recommends:

1. That Synod appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the support of the Rev. J. William, the coming year.

2. That Synod appropriate $125.00 and the Foreign Mission offering received at this convention of Synod, to the India Mission.

3. That Synod appropriate $100.00 to the Porto Rico Mission work.

4. That we urge our pastors to lay upon the hearts of their people, the great need of the Foreign field, and to make an effort to secure a larger circulation of the Foreign Missionary.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted.

Report of the Home Mission Committee

The development of our Synod's Home Mission Work during the last few years, and the readiness with which the congregations have rallied to its support, give evidence of what might be accomplished when responsibility is recognized and opportunities are embraced. Nevertheless, the results which, considered as a whole, have been most gratifying, clearly point to elements of weakness in our policy, which, unless remedied, will prove detrimental to the present and future success of this so important a work.

A large number of Missions can be no credit to our Synod unless their condition proves that they have been wisely planted, rightly cared for, and possess in themselves such vitality as will enable them within a reasonable time, to take their place among the self-supporting parishes.

We have tried, and perhaps gloried in what has been termed "cheap mission work", but we have discovered that in the end it is most expensive, and the only cheap thing about it is the miserable, stingy way in which we have supported our self-sacrificing and often sorely tried Missionaries. The fact is, our policy in this respect has had a tendency to cheapen good men in the estimation of the people, lessen their influence in the community, and encourage the congregations in paying inadequate salaries.

A day of reckoning has come. If we are wise we will profit by the lessons of our past experience, and not conduct our Mission work in the

future at the expense of the missionaries and their usefulness, but by our increased and consecrated offerings as God's people. Then will a healthy growth be even more rapid, resignations less frequent, and the problem of perplexing Mission vacancies less difficult to solve.

Nor is it sufficient to organize Mission congregations and assist them to properly support their pastors. They need houses of worship, the absence of which is often the direct cause of the "poor dying rate" at which many exist, compelled year after year to receive such appropriations as could otherwise be used in new and promising fields. Something must be done to relieve the situation, and Synod will be asked to provide a remedy for the most urgent cases.

Again, with the increasing number of Missions, has also come the increased necessity for oversight, all the more difficult to exercise, because the Mission Director, himself the busy pastor of a local congregation, has little time for personal visitation, so important to a right understanding of the field, and the encouragement of the Missionary pastor and his people. Is not this alone a strong argument in favor of unification?

The accompanying statistical table, and Treasurer's Report, which are herewith submitted, speak for themselves.

The Syracuse Parish, left vacant by the resignation of the Rev. Theo. Weiskotten, has called Student J. J. Myers to take charge of the work until next spring, and will need no appropriation for the ensuing year.

The Rev. John Knauer's efforts at Wheeler, Ill., have resulted in the organization of a congregation, and the erection of a frame church building. This field can be cared for by the Rev. John Knauer in connection with the Gila Parish, but Synod will be asked to grant an appropriation for Wheeler for the ensuing year.

After repeated and unsuccessful efforts at reviving permanently the work at Olney, Ill., it was finally decided to discontinue operations there. On the advice of the Home Mission Committee, the Trustees, being the only members left, sold the church property. The net proceeds amounting to $780.00 were turned over to the Committee, and Synod will be asked to make disposition of the same.

Statistical Summary

Missions	Souls	Communic'ts	Gain	S. S.	Property	Debt	Income	Benevolence	Aid ('08-'09)	Aid asked
St. Peter's Chicago	525	160	10	414	$ 5 500	$ 1 375	$2362 87	$ 169 64	$ 100	$ 100
St. Matthew's Chicago	250	112	9	152	4 600	1 600	1721 79	57 00	240	200
St. James' Chicago	300	60	....	299	3 000	800	750 74	20 40	300	300
Atonement Chicago	110	40	....	82	950	.....	474 00	19 08	300	300
Our Saviour Alexandria, Ind.	113	52	23	93	15 000	.....	487 35	27 00	300	300
First Church Mishawaka, Ind.	108	54	9	83	14 800	200	820 00	.....	150	150
Holy Trinity South Bend, Ind.	175	75	25	100	3 000	.....	1000 00	50 00	100	100
Holy Trinity La Fayette, Ind.	129	79	33	73	5 300	1 080	1720 00	38 64	300	400
Wheeler, Ill.	....	20	....	....	.....	.....	550 00	.....	150	100
Emmanuel Nappanee, Ind.	64	45	....	85	200	.....	376 00	27 00	.....	.....
St. John's Nappanee, Ind.	40	32	4	77	3 250	470	777 15	16 30	100	100
Ely's Near La Fayette	54	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Solomon Corydon. Ind.	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100
Chicago Heights	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250
Total	1873	729	113	1458	$ 55 600	$ 5 525	11039 90	$ 425 56	$ 2 040	$ 2400

Recommendations

1. We recommend appropriations to the various missions, as indicated in the column, "Aid Asked," in the statistical table.

2. We recommend that Synod appropriate $3,000.00 to be at the disposal of the Mission Committee, for the prosecution of our Home Mission work during the coming synodical year.

3. We recommend that immediately after the adoption of this report each year, the President of Synod appoint the members of this Standing Committee for the ensuing year.

4. We also recommend that the President of Synod, be ex-officio, one of the five clerical members of the Home Mission Committee.

5. We further recommend that all plans for proposed Synodical Mission Church buildings be submitted to the Home Mission Committee for advice and suggestion.

6. Regarding the General Council Home Mission Unification Plan as set forth on page 217 of the minutes of the General Council for 1905 we recommend that it be adopted on condition that, in vital emergencies and in individual instances only, this Synod be permitted to establish a mission at its own expense.

7. It is recommended that the $780.00 received from the sale of the Olney property be given to the General Council Church Extension Society.

8. Regarding the St. Matthew's Parish, we recommend that Synod pay the interest on $3,000.00 for three years, or until the Church Extension Society may make a loan, and that this help be extended on condition that within a year this congregation build a place of worship upon its new lot, costing at least $4,000.00.

9. We recommend that if the St. Peter's congregation will move its old building and carry its funded debt, Synod pay the interest for three years on a sum not exceeding $5,000.00, necessary to build the basement of a new church, and that from that time the congregation shall become self-sustaining.

THE COMMITTEE.

Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Committee of the Chicago Synod

June 21, 1905 to June 6, 1906

RECEIPTS

Balance Cash on hand as per last report	$ 198 59
Rec'd from Treasurer of Synod, Rev. I. Whitman	2481 01
Rec'd from Special Collections	17 12
Rec'd from Olney, Ill. Sale	780 00
Rec'd from Loan from Daniel Rex	500 00
Total	$3976 72

EXPENDITURES

To St. Peter's, Chicago, May 1, '05 to May 1, '06	$ 100 00
" St. Matthew's " " " " "	240 00

To St. James', Chicago, May 1, '05 to May 1, '06.....	300 00	
" Atonement " " " June "	325 00	
" St. Stephen's " June " " Aug. '05.....	47 50	
" City Missionary" May " " Oct. '05.....	125 00	
" St. Luke's " for interest.....	52 25	
" Chicago Heights, Chcgo., Mch. 1, '06 to May 1, '06	40 00	
" Our Saviour, Alexandria, Ind., May 1, '05 to May 1, 06.....	300 00	
" First Church, Mishawaka, Ind., May 1, '05 to April 1, 06	137 50	
" Holy Trinity, South Bend, Ind., May 1, '05 to May 1, '06.....	100 00	
" Holy Trinity, La Fayette, Ind., May 1, '05 to May 1, '06	300 00	
" Grace Church, Syracuse, Ind., May 1, '05 to Feb. 1, '06.....	149 94	
" Olney, Wheeler and Dietrich, May 1, '05 to May 1, '06.....	150 00	
" Nappanee, Ind., May 1, '05 to May 1, '06.....	100 00	
" Total expenses for printing, etc.....	46 10	
Total expenses	2513 29	
Loan to Aurora, Ill.....	780 00	
Total paid out.....	3293 29	
Balance Cash on hand	683 43	
Grand Total		$3976 72

Respectfully submitted,

C. T. A. Anderson,

Treasurer.

The Report of the Home Mission Committee was adopted.

Report of Committee on Parochial Reports and Apportionments

The Committee on Parochial Reports and Apportionments begs leave to submit the following report.

1. We submit the tabulated statistical report for the past year. (See appendix.)

2. We recommend that the delinquency of Bethel Congregation, Colburn be cancelled, on condition that the apportionments for 1906, 1907 and 1908 be paid in full.

3. We recommend that the First English Church of Goshen, Ind. be excused from payment of their delinquency, having paid their apportionment in full for the years 1904, 1905 and 1906.

4. We recommend that the delinquency of St. Peter's Church of the Newberry Parish be cancelled on condition that the apportionments for 1906, 1907 and 1908 be paid in full.

5. Whereas, St. Luke's Church, Chicago has only within the last year become self-sustaining, by great sacrifice relieving the Church of their support. and

Whereas, improvements in sidewalk and street, amounting to about $800.00 are being made, half of which must be met this year, we recommend,

That, St. Luke's Church, for the coming year, be apportioned on the basis of a Mission.

6. The attention of the Committee was called to a seeming clerical error in the apportionment of the St. John's Church, Nappanee, Ind., amounting to $8.40. After carefully examining the Protocol we find that, the apportionment is as was adopted by the Synod, but as there has been, without doubt, some mistake made by the former Committee, we recommend, that the St. John's Church, Nappanee, be excused from the payment of this amount.

7, We have made the following apportionments for the year 1905-1906. (See page 45).

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

Apportionments 1906-1907

PARISHRS AND PASTORS	CONGREGATIONS	Synodical Home Missions	Education	Foreign Missions	Synodical Expenses	Totals
Alexandria, Rev. J. C. Dietz	Our Saviour	$ 23 40	$ 2 34	$ 2 73	$ 2 73	$ 31 20
Anderson, Rev. D. L. Reese	St. John's	48 84	4 88	5 70	5 70	65 12
	Mt. Zion's	13 97	1 36	1 58	1 58	18 50
Aurora, Rev. R. C. Kaufman	Redeemer	9 00	90	1 05	1 05	12 00
Chicago, Prof. G. H. Gerberding, D.D.	Holy Trinity	169 28	16 92	19 75	19 75	225 70
Rev. A. D. Crile	Wicker Park	271 29	27 14	31 66	31 67	361 88
Rev. Z. M. Corbet(t)	St. Mark's	52 17	5 22	6 08	6 09	69 56
(Vacant)	St. James'	27 00	2 70	3 15	3 15	36 00
Rev. P. J. Gerberding	St. Matthew's	46 65	4 67	5 44	5 44	62 20
Rev. H. B. Reed	St. Peter's	72 00	7 20	8 40	8 40	96 00
Rev. M. E. Haberland	St. Luke's	58 50	5 85	6 82	6 83	78 00
Rev. J. R. E. Hunt	St. John's	65 34	6 53	7 69	7 70	87 22
O. S. Yerger (student)	Atonement	16 65	1 67	1 94	1 94	22 20
H. Wennermark (student)	Epiphany	16 65	1 67	1 94	1 94	22 20
(Austin) Rev. C. R. Dunlap	Redeemer	21 15	2 11	2 47	2 47	28 20
Claremont, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield	St. James'	77 70	7 77	9 06	9 07	103 60
	St. Paul's	27 75	2 77	3 24	3 24	37 00
Colburn, Rev. E. P. Conrad	St. John's	37 74	3 77	4 41	4 40	50 32
	Zion's	12 75	2 27	2 66	2 66	30 34
	Bethel	14 98	1 49	1 75	1 76	19 98
Corydon, Rev. A. M. Sappenfield	Mt. Solomon	74 93	7 49	8 74	8 74	99 90
Decatur, Rev. H. Peters, D. D.	First English	68 26	6 82	7 95	7 97	91 02
Detroit, Rev. J. A. Miller	St. Paul's	45 00	4 50	5 25	5 25	60 00
" Rev. W. C. Miller	Christ	36 00	3 60	4 20	4 20	48 00
East Germantown (Vacant)	Zion's	25 53	2 55	2 98	2 98	34 04
	St. Jacob's	13 32	1 33	1 55	1 56	17 76
	St. John's	12 21	1 21	1 42	1 43	16 28
Elgin, Rev. P. W. Roth	Holy Trinity	172 60	17 26	20 14	20 14	230 14
Ft. Wayne, Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D.	Holy Trinity	398 49	39 85	46 49	46 50	531 32
Frankfort, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh	St. Paul's	57 16	5 72	6 67	6 67	76 22
Goshen, Rev. L. Hogshead	First English	104 34	10 43	12 17	12 18	139 12
Hicksville, Rev. J. H. Wannemacher	St. John's	48 28	4 82	5 64	5 64	64 38
	Lost Creek	38 09	3 81	4 47	4 47	51 06
	Zion's	14 98	1 49	1 74	1 76	19 98
Lafayette, Rev. E. D. S. Boyer	Holy Trinity	35 35	3 56	4 15	4 15	47 46
Mishawaka, Rev. L. W. Steckel	First English	27 00	2 70	3 15	3 15	36 00
Mulberry, Rev. W. J. Seiberling	Zion's	86 03	8 61	10 03	10 03	114 70
	Fair Haven	82 14	8 21	9 58	9 59	109 52
Nappanee, Rev. A. L. Boliek	St. John's	14 40	1 44	1 73	1 73	19 20
	Emmanuel	20 25	2 02	2 36	2 37	27 00
Newberry, Rev. H. J. Mathias	St. Peter's	25 20	2 52	2 94	2 94	33 60
	Mt. Zion's	23 39	2 33	2 73	2 73	31 11
Rochester, Rev. G. F. Dittmar	St. Paul's	41 65	4 16	4 85	4 84	55 50
	St John's	18 39	1 83	2 15	2 15	24 52
South Bend, Rev. Wm. Brenner	Holy Trinity	37 35	3 73	4 36	4 36	49 80
Syracuse, John J. Myers (Student)	Grace	14 85	1 48	1 73	1 74	19 80
	St. Paul's	16 65	1 67	1 94	1 94	22 20
Vandalia, Rev. S. D. Myers	St. James'	73 28	7 31	8 55	8 55	97 68
Wallace, Rev. I. Whitman	Phanuel	63 82	6 38	7 45	7 45	85 10
	Emmanuel	17 29	1 72	2 01	2 01	22 94
	Philadelp'ia	12 21	1 21	1 42	1 43	16 28
Wheeler, Rev. John Knauer	Union	49 50	4 95	5 77	5 78	66 00
	Wheeler	6 75	67	79	79	9 00
Whitestown (Vacant)	Union	10 54	1 06	1 23	1 23	14 06
	Salem	61 05	6 10	7 13	7 13	81 40
	St. Mark's	81 03	8 10	9 45	9 46	108 04
	St. James'	48 88	4 88	5 70	5 70	65 12
Totals		$5073 78	$507 37	$357 15	$357 26	$4095 56

Election of Trustees

A. G. Webber, Esq., was regularly elected a Trustee of the Chicago Synod, for a period of three years, making the list of Trustees as follows:

Mr. Nels Johnson, Chicago, Ill., term expires 1907.
Mr. C. T. A. Anderson, Chicago, Ill., term expires 1908.
A. G. Webber, Esq., Decatur, Ill., term expires 1909.

Resolution of Thanks

The following Resolutions, offered by the Rev. P. W. Roth were adopted:

Whereas, It has been the privilege of this Synod to enjoy a delightful visit to the beautifnl city of Detroit, the hearts and homes of which have been opened to us in so cordial and hospitable a manner, and

Whereas, we are dnly grateful for all these favers, be it

Resolved, That we now extend onr hearty thanks to the pastors and members of St. Paul's and Christ Churches for their courtesy and cordiality, by which we have been enabled to enjoy the benefits of a convention of Synod in this delightful historic city, and be it

Resolved, That we express onr appreciation of the attention and reports accorded to this Synod by the Press of Detroit, and be it

Resolved, That these Resolntions be read at the next regular service held in the Christ and St. Paul's Chnrches.

Report of the Archivist

The Archivist hereby reports, that he has received a number o packages of documents during the past year, among them a large package of old minutes from the Rev. Wm. J. Finck, and the full records of the congregation heretofore existing at Olney, Ill. All these documents have been carefully stored away in the Archives.

G. H. Gerberding,
Archivist.

The Report was adopted and the Archivist continued.

The Secretary was instructed to have 3000 copies of the minutes of Synod printed for distribution.

Item 'a', in Section 22, Article III of the By-Laws, was by vote of Synod, set aside for this convention.

Written notice of a proposed change of the above, (Article III, Section 22, Item a) of the By-Laws, to be offered at the next convention of Synod, was duly given by the Rev. P. W. Roth and the Rev. A. D. Crile.

The paper states that the proposed change is for the purpose of providing for the appointment of the Home Mission Committee, immediately after the adoption of its report by Synod, instead of deferring the appointment of the same until the last session.

The President appointed the Committee on Home Missions, and the Special Committees required by action of Synod at this Convention.

Report of Committee on Absentees and Excuses

Your Committee on absentees and excuses submits the following report:

1. Rev. R. F. Weidner, D. D., Rev. John Knauer, Rev. A. V. House, Rev. D. L. Reese and Rev. J. C. Dietz have sent letters explaining their inability to be present at this convention of Synod. We recommend that they be excused.

2. The following brethren have explained the necessity of their absence from some of the sessions of Synod.

Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. G. F. Dittmar, Rev. M. E. Haberland, Rev. H. Peters, D. D., Rev. P. J. Gerberding, Rev. C. R. Dunlap.

We recommend that they be excused.

3. The following Lay Delegates have explained the necessity of their absence from some of the sessions of Synod.

G. F. Gehr, N. W. Cosner, Edward Valbracht.

We recommend that they be excused.

THE COMMITTEE.

The Report was adopted.

The minutes of the seventh session were read and adopted.

Synod adjourned at 3:20, to meet in final session after the close of evening service, Sunday.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. C. G. Stacy.

Eighth Session

St. Paul's Church, Detroit,
June 17, 1906, 9 p. m.

After the close of the Evening Service, Synod was called to order by President Hogshead.

The Secretary reported that the brother ordained at the Morning Service had signed the Constitution, and that his name had been added to the Roll of Ministers.

The President appointed the following

Standing Committees

Examination—Rev. Samuel Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Rev. Hiram Peters, D. D., Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. Wm. J. Seiberling.

Home Missions—Rev. Hiram Peters, D. D., Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. P. W. Roth, Rev. P. C. Wike, Rev. Luther Hogshead, (ex-officio) Messrs. A. W. Ackemann, Chas. Severinghaus, Geo. W. Wehmeyer, C. T. A. Anderson.

Foreign Missions—Rev. S. D. Myers, Rev. E. Parker Conrad, Mr. Ed. Bartholomew.

Education—Rev. H. B. Reed, Rev. Isaiah Whitman, Mr. Edward Valbracht.

Benevolence—Rev. Geo. F. Dittmar, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Mr. Josiah Rothenberger.

Discipline—Rev. A. C. Anda, Rev. P. J. Gerberding, Rev. J. H. Wannemacher, Rev. H. J. Mathias, Rev. J. A. Miller.

Reception of Congregations—Rev. L. W. Steckel, Rev. Elmer D. S. Boyer, Mr. O. J. Mennen.

Parochial Reports and Apportionments—Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Rev. Wm. Brenner, Rev. P. C. Wike, Mr. W. B. Myers, Mr. N. W. Cosner.

The President appointed the following

Special Committees

History of Synod and Historical Monographs--Rev. M. E. Haberland, Rev. Z. M. Corbe(t), Rev. W. C. Miller.

Committee on Women's Synodical Missionary Society—Mrs. Rebecca Stettler, Syracuse, Ind., Miss Minnie Ridenour, Hicksville, Ohio, Mrs. Oscar Miller, Mishawaka, Ind.

Joint Committee on Education with Synod of the North West—Rev. Isaiah Whitman, Rev. H. B. Reed.

Synodical Program—The officers of Synod and pastor *loci.*

Board of Trustees, Colburn Academy—(A self-perpetuating body). President, Rev. I. Whitman; Secretary, Rev. W. J. Seiberling; Treasurer, Rev. E. D. S. Boyer; Rev. Luther Hogshead, Messrs. O. J. Mennen, Daniel Rex, Wm. Brewer, Wm. Armentrout.

The President expressed the hearty thanks of Synod, to the pastors and people of St. Paul's and Christ Churches, for their kind hospitality and interest manifested during the holding of this convention.

After the singing of a closing hymn, Synod adjourned at 9:30 o'clock, according to the prescribed order of the Church Book for the closing of Synod.

H. B. REED,

Secretary.

Name	Parish	Location
Holy Trinity...	Holy Trinity...	.....La Salle av. and Elm st., Chicago
Wicker Park ..	Wicker Park...	.....N. Hoyne av. and Le Moyne st., Chicago
Epiphany.....	Epiphany	.....597 Ogden av., Chicago
St. John's	Englewood	..... Indiana av,. S. of Sixty-first st., Chicago
St. Mark's.....	Lake View	.....Clark st. and Addison av., Chicago
St. Peter's.....	Humboldt Park	..... N. Spaulding av. and Le Moyne st., Chicago
St. Matthew's..	Mandell	.....Flournoy st. near Forty-seventh av., Chicago
St. James'	Logan Square .	Kimbell Hall, Hayes st. near Kimbell av., Chicago
St. Luke's.....	Logan Square .	.....N. Francisco and Mariana aves., Chicago
Atonement	Englewood	..... Sixty-ninth st., Chicago
Redeemer	Austin	.....5209 W. Chicago av., (Austin) Chicago
St. James'	Vandalia	..... Vandalia, Illinois
First English ..	Decatur	.....N. Main and Williams st., Decatur, Illinois
St. James'	Claremont	.....Claremont, Richland county, Illinois
Union	Gila	..... Gila, Illinois
Holy Trinity...	Elgin	..... Elgin, Illinois
Redeemer	Anrora	..... Anrora, Illinois
Holy Trinity...	Fort Wayne ...	.... Wayne and Clinton sts., Fort Wayne, Indiana
Holy Trinity...	South Bend ...	.....Sonth Bend, Indiana
First English ..	Mishawaka	..... Mishawaka, Indiana
First English ..	Goshen	..... Goshen, Indiana
Holy Trinity...	La Fayette.....	....La Fayette, Indiana
St. Mark's.....	Whitestown ...	.....Whitestown, Indiana
St. James'	Whitestown ...	... Near Darlington, Montgomery county, Indiana
Salem	Whitestown ...	.....New Augusta, Indiana
Union	Whitestown ...	.....East of Whitestown, Indiana
Emmanuel	Nappanee	... S. W. of Nappanee, Koscinsko county, Indiana
St. John's.....	Nappanee	.....Nappanee, Indiana
St. Paul's.....	Syracuse	.....Benton, Elkhart county, Indiana
Syracuse	Syracuse	.....Syracuse, Kosciusko county, Indiana
Emmanuel	Wallace	..... Near Hillsboro, Fountain connty, Indiana
Phanuel	Wallace	.....Near Wallace, Fountain county, Indiana
Philadelphia ..	Wallace	.....Near Milligan, Park connty, Indiana
St. John's.....	Colbnrn	..... Near Owasco, Carroll county, Indiana
Zion's	Colburn	.....Colbnrn, Tippecanoe county, Indiana
Bethel.....	Colbnrn	.....Pettit, Tippecanoe connty, Indiana
Zion's	E. Germantown	.....East Germantown, Wayne county, Indiana
St. John's.....	E. Germantown	..... Middletown, Henry county, Indiana
St. Jacob's.....	E. Germantown	.....Millville, Henry county, Indiana
St. Paul's.....	Rochester	.....Tiosa, Fnlton connty, Indiana
St. John's.....	Rochester	..... Bruce Lake, Fnlton connty, Indiana
Zion's	Mulberry	..... Mulberry, Indiana
Fairhaven	Mulberry	.....Near Mnlberry, Indiana
St. Paul's.....	Frankfort.....	..... Frankfort, Indiana
Our Saviour ...	Alexandria	.....Alexandria, Indiana
St. John's.....	Anderson	..... Anderson, Indiana
Mt. Zion's.....	Anderson	..... Ovid, Madison connty, Indiana
St. Peter's.....	Newberry	.....Newberry, Greene county, Indiana
Mt. Zion's.....	Newberry	.....Monroe City, Knox county, Indiana
Mt. Solomon ..	Corydon	.....Near Corydon, Indiana
Zion's	Hicksville	.....Hall's Corner, Allen connty, Indiana
St. John's.....	Hicksville	..... Hicksville, Ohio
Lost Creek	Hicksville	.....North of Hicksville, Ohio
St. Paul's.....	Detroit	.....16th and Breckenridge sts., Detroit, Michigan
Christ	Detroit	.Woodward and Hendrie aves., Detroit, Michigan

Religious Services and Addresses

WEDNESDAY MORNING: Opening Services.
Liturgical Services by Officers of Synod.
Synodical Sermon by President Hogshead, based on Romans 1(
Preparatory Service and Holy Communion.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON:
Paper by the Rev. Hiram Peters, D. D., Decatur, Ill., "
Church Paper; why it should be in the Home".
Discussion opened by the Rev. Isaiah Whitman, Hillsboro, In

WEDNESDAY EVENING: Benevolence Meeting.
Service in charge of the Rev. A. L. Boliek, Nappanee, Ind.
Address by Rev, E. D. S. Boyer, La Fayette, Ind.
Offering for Benevolence.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON:
Paper by the Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, of Chicago: "What the W
owes to Lutheranism".
Discussion opened by the Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Frankfort, Ind

THURSDAY EVENING: Educational Meeting.
Meeting in charge of the Rev. A. D. Crile.
Service read by the Rev. Z. M. Corbe(t).
Address by the Rev. P. C. Wike.
Offering for Education.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON:
Paper by the Rev. Paul W. Roth of Elgin, Ill., on "Lutheran
of our Land".

FRIDAY EVENING: Foreign Mission Meeting.
Service in charge of the Rev. S. D. Myers.
Address by the Rev. Geo.. Drach, Philadelphia, Pa., Gene
Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the General Counci
Offering for Foreign Missions.

SUNDAY FORENOON: (St. Paul's Church.)
Service in charge of the Officers of Synod.
Ordination Sermon by the Rev. A. D. Crile of Chicago.
Candidate ordained, Andrew M. Sappenfield.
Offering for the Chicago Seminary.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON: (Christ Church.)
Address by the Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa

SUNDAY EVENING: Home Missions.
Meeting in charge of the Rev. A. C. Anda.
Address by the Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D. D., Superintendent
the General Council's English Home Missions.
Offering for Home Missions.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS. 1905-1906.

PARISHES AND PASTORS	CONGREGATIONS	Admitted to Communion	Communed during the year	Baptized Members	Infant Baptisms	Catechumens	Accessions: By Adult Baptism	Accessions: By Confirmation	Accessions: From Luth. Churches	Accessions: From other Churches	Accessions: By Restoration	Losses: By Death	Losses: By Removal	Losses: By Exclusion	Number	Income	Estimated Value of Church Property	Local Expenses	Benevolence: Synodical Home Missions	Benevolence: Foreign Missions	Benevolence: Education	Benevolence: Synodical Expenses	Benevolence: For the Chicago Seminary	Benevolence: Home Missions of General Council	Benevolence: Church Extension of General Council	Benevolence: Orphan Work	Benevolence: For the Colburn Academy	Benevolence: Local or other Benevolence	Total Benefience	Total Expenditures
Alexandria, Rev. J. C. Dietz	Our Saviour	82															$8000	$ 810 00	$ 74 66	$ 5 23	$ 5 23	$ 5 23		$ 8 00		$ 5 00	$ 8 00	111 07	954 97
Anderson, Rev. D. L. Reeso	St. John's	60	60	122	10	8																								
	Mt. Zion's	25	15	40	1											110 00	2000	80 00	14 61	1 55	1 55						18 00		37 17	117 17
Aurora, Rev. R. C. Kaufman	Redeemer	20	15	10															1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00							12 00	12 00
Chicago, Prof. G. H. Gerberding, D.D.	Holy Trinity	305	281	471	10	35		1	12			1			12	26	43000	4480 83	150 63	32 08	17 18	17 18	150 00	30 80		15 00		87 60	515 17	5001 17
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Rev. H. D. Reed	St. Peter's	160	125	525	15	25			18			1			11	213 07	8500	1200 08	67 82	7 51	7 51	7 51	12 10	7 00	12 73			31 00	104 50	1881 07
Rev. M. E. Haberland	St. Luke's	130	105	490	28	23			25	12					25	205 19	12500	2171 25	41 75	2 75	2 75	24 26		48 00	43 83			31 01	207 01	2378 26
Rev. J. R. E. Hunt	St. John's	118	110	235	6	18			14						23	23	12000	2060 00												
O. S. Yerger (student)	Atonement	37	37	128	7	9				8	3	1			37	14 70														
H. Wennermark (student)	Epiphany	37				7																						24 00	24 00	
(Austin) Rev. C. R. Dunlap	Redeemer	47	41	60	3	5			2	3		12			30	30 00		240 00												600 00
	St. James'	140	106	180	4	25		1	2		3				23	22	4000	225 00	6 75	75	75	75								288 00
Claremont, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield	St. Paul's	60	43	75	4	7			4	1					15	31	3000	105 00	47 76								51 76		61 30	317 72
	St. John's	68	62	102	3	8				3					23	00	2000	285 45	9 00										24 31	129 31
Colburn, Rev. E. P. Conrad	Zion's	41	37	70						1					23	00	7800	290 80	30 10	3 22	3 22	3 22							51 83	837 28
	Bethel	37	25	39	2										23	00	1900	115 00	15 05	1 01	1 01	1 01					31 00	15 00	84 70	351 56
Corydon, Rev. A. M. Sappenfield	Mt. Solomon	135	60												5	37	600	180 00	10 00										19 88	134 88
Decatur, Rev. H. Peters, D. D.	First English	125	98		11			4	10	6	2		12		70	01	20000		58 43	8 27				8 82						190 00
Detroit, Rev. J. A. Miller	Paul's	100	90	250	18			6	16	2		32			70	80	7000	1959 81						10 00			38 50	20 00	164 53	1523 34
" Rev. W. C. Miller	Christ	80	60	160	8			1	8						28	81		308 12	31 95	3 55	3 55	3 55		7 00				202 00	271 00	2015 48
	Zion's	40																												579 73
East Germantown (Vacant)	St. Jacob's	21	20	32													900	430 00	13 44	1 43	1 43	1 43								600 74
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Elgin, Rev. P. W. Roth	Holy Trinity	311	231	654	16			4	22	4		11	4	12	14	33	6000	1987 88	147 81	15 81	15 82	15 81	48 00			5 00			229 25	2356 65
Ft. Wayne, Rev. S. Wagenhals, D.D.	Holy Trinity	718			10	32		2	25	9			4	12	14	00	60000	4774 00	380 00	40 00	40 00	40 00	400 00	50 00		50 00		150 00	1150 00	5924 00
Frankfort, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh	St. Paul's	103	95	131	1				4	1			3	1	13	00	3000	778 00	54 82	38 87	5 87	5 80	10 00		37 20			125 00	259 02	1331 62
Goshen, Rev. L. Hogshead	First English	188	130	250	14		6	5	5	2	1	4	12		95	23	10000	1250 00	99 31	10 68	10 68	10 69	85 00	17 20				25 00	258 56	1508 56
	St. John's	87	74	130	4	25	1	3	6			1	2		110	51	5000	852 57	33 30	6 41	6 42	6 42					15 40		33 46	101 37	953 84
Jeckaville, Rev. J. H. Wannemacher	Lost Creek	69	60	85	3	9	1	1	3	1			1		50	00	4800	560 00	35 80	12 07	6 07	6 09	89 71				20 00		10 00		639 76
	Zion's	27	17	33													1200	65 00									2 45			67 40
Lafayette, Rev. E. D. S. Hoyer	Holy Trinity	70	75	127	8	11		6	11	7	12		21		169	00	3500	479 16	20 60					4 20	11 17			6 88		1161 56
Mishawaka, Rev. L. W. Steckel	First English	90	50	105	5	7		4	6	6	2		1	2	63	75	11000	820 91	22 25	2 25	2 25	2 25					27 00			847 84
	Zion's	155	147	202	7	7		1	1	3	3		2	2	81	84	10000	700 00	68 85	7 26	13 26	13 26	146 75						3378 98	4078 98
Mulberry, Rev. W. J. Seiberling	Fair Haven	148	137	201	1	20		1	4	1			2	2			8000	325 00	65 70	12 66	12 65	12 65	86 25		13 00		1000		1202 91	1527 91
	St. John's	32	24	40					1	1	4				38	00	3000	250 00	12 00										720 25	970 25
Nappanee, Rev. A. L. Bollek	Emmanuel	45	34	68	9	5			5						30	00	1000	300 00	27 00									475 00	502 00	802 00
	St. Peter's	46	30	81											18	00	2000	485 00	21 60	4 16	4 16	4 16		2 55	4 10		05 00		135 70	620 70
Newberry, Rev. H. J. Mathias	Mt. Zion's	51	42	15		4									14	00	300	335 00	24 85	4 73	4 73	4 74		4 45	5 00		200 00		258 20	593 26
	St. Paul's	78	60	96	1					2	1				30	00	1400	336 00	36 90	7 10	7 10	7 11	5 00	2 00	3 60				68 31	424 31
Rochester, Rev. G. F. Dillmar	St. John's	33	20	51	1												900	113 00	14 85	2 87	2 87	2 87							23 46	136 46
South Bend, Rev. Wm. Brenner	Holy Trinity	83	80	125	1			1	8	5		10	1		25	00	3000	900 00	31 70	5 04	5 03						5 03		46 80	1000 00
	Grace	33	26	55		14									25	00	7000	250 00	14 85	1 65	1 50		20 00						88 00	288 00
Syracuse, John J. Myers (Student)	St. Paul's	37	30	60	5	5									25	00	1000	275 00	10 65	1 85	1 85	1 85							22 20	300 00
Vandalia, Rev. S. D. Myers	St. James'	132	102	218	12	25			8	1			1		16	00	14000	1400 00	66 60	7 59	7 58	7 60	23 22	12 84	36 20			15 00	178 72	1576 72
Wallace, Rev. I. Whitman	Phanuel	115	82	140	2				2	1		4	1		15	00	3700	500 00	48 00	9 36	9 36	9 36			10 80		150 00	36 00	278 98	844 98
	Emmanuel	31	20	39													300	124 00	14 40	2 78	2 77	2 78					42 50	14 00	79 23	203 23
	Philadelphia	22	14							1								51 00	7 90	1 82	1 82	1 82						15 86	15 36	66 20
Wheeler, Rev. John Kanner	Union	110	78	140	7		3	13							10	00	1500	450 00	42 30	1 70			5 00						57 00	500 00
	Wheeler	15		25													900	150 00							8 00				150 00	150 00
	Union	19	16	20				2	2	1							300	45 00											14 81	59 81
Whitestown (Vacant)	Salem	110	85	1				1	1				4		40	00	5000	360 00	48 15	9 27	9 27	8 31								435 00
	St. Mark's	146	97	160	3			4	5		1	1	2		80	00	10500	465 00	62 55	12 04	12 05	12 04								536 68
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NEXT CONVENTION

Wednesday, May 29, 1907, 10:00 A. M.

St. Luke's English Evangelical Lutheran Church,

N. Francisco and Mariana Aves.

Chicago, Ill.

Rev. M. E. Haberland, Pastor.

MINUTES

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVE

CHICAGO SYNOD

OF THE

EVANGELICAL LUTHER CHURCH

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

May 29th to June 2, 1907.

MINUTES

Opening Service

The Thirty-Seventh Annual Convention of the Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, was held in St. Luke's English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Chicago, Illinois, beginning Wednesday, May 29, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m. The Opening Service consisted of the Confessional and Morning Services of the Church Book, the preaching of the Synodical Sermon, based on II Tim. 4:2-5, by the Acting President of Synod, the Rev. H. B. Reed, and the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

After the Benediction, the President appointed the Committee on Credentials of Lay Delegates.

First Session.

St. Luke's English Evangelical Lutheran Church,
N. Francisco and Mariana Aves., Chicago, Ill.,
Wednesday, May 29, 1907, 2 P. M.

After the singing of hymn 300 the Acting President opened the first business session of the convention according to the order prescribed in the Church Book. Rev. W. J. Seiberling was appointed temporary Secretary.

The Roll of Ministers was called, the Committee on Credentials presented the list of lay delegates.

ROLL OF MINISTERS.

NAME	Ord	PARISH	ADDRESS
1. A. V. House, a. e.	1864	No charge	Arcadia, Indiana.
2. S. Wagenhals, D. D.	1868	Fort Wayne	Fort Wayne, Indiana.
3. Prof. R. F. Weidner D.D., L.L.D., a. e.	1873	Professor	1311 Sheffield Ave., Chicago, Ill.
4. H. Peters, D.D.	1873	Frankfort	Frankfort, Indiana.
5. Prof. G. H. Gerberding, D.D.	1876	Professor	1315 Waveland Ave., Chicago, Ill.
6. P. C. Wike	1886	Financial Sec'y	Mulberry, Indiana.
7. D. L. Reese	1889	Anderson	1320 Chase St., Anderson, Ind.
8. J. H. Wannemacher	1894	Hicksville	Hicksville, Ohio.
9. A. C. Anda	1894	Field Sec'y	924 Adams St., Chicago, Ill.
10. Isaiah Whitman	1896	Wallace	Hillisboro, Ind., R. F. D. No. 2.
11. Austin D. Crile	1897	Wicker Park	81 LeMoyne St., Chicago, Ill.
12. H. J. Mathias	1898	Newberry	Newberry, Indiana.
13. Harry B. Reed	1899	St. Peter's	944 LeMoyne St., Chicago.
14. Zenan M. Corb, e.	1899	St. Mark's	1223 Addison St., Chicago, Ill.
15. Alonzo H. Arbaugh	1899	Atonement	6552 Justine St., Chicago, Ill.
16. Wm. C. Miller	1899	Christ	255 Grummond Ave. Detroit, Mich.
17. V. J. Becker, r	1899	Nappanee	Nappanee, Indiana.
18. C. L. Warstler, r	1899	Whitestown	Whitestown, Indiana.
19. Theo. Weiskotten a	1900	No charge	Denver, Colorado.
20. Curtis G. Stacy	1900	No charge	1162 Racine Ave., Chicago, Ill.
21. Geo. F. Dittmar	1901	Rochester	Rochester, Indiana.
22. M. E. Haberland	1901	St. Luke's	1470 N. Francisco Ave., Chicago.
23. J. R. E. Hunt	1901	Austin	194 N. 52d Ave., Chicago, Ill.
24. S. D. Myers	1902	Vandalia	Vandalia, Illinois.
25. Wm. J. Seiberling	1902	Mulberry	Mulberry, Indiana.
26. Jno. V. Sappenfield	1902	East Germantown	East Germantown, Indiana.
27. J. A. Miller, a. e.	1902	St. Paul's	61 Breckenridge St., Detroit, Mich.
28. N. Mattheis, r.	1902	Gila	Newton, Ill., R. F. D. No. 4.
29. Paul W. Roth, a. e.	1903	Elgin	434 Chicago Ave., Elgin, Ill.
30. Paul J. Gerberding	1903	St. Matthew's	2580 W. Harrison St., Chicago.
31. Elmer D. S. Boyer	1904	LaFayette	LaFayette, Indiana.
32. Lloyd W. Steckel	1904	Mishawaka	Mishawaka, Indiana.
33. John Knauer	1904	Alexandria	Alexandria, Indiana.
34. E. Parker Conrad	1904	Colburn	Colburn, Indiana.
35. Roger C. Kaufman	1906	Aurora	18 S. Lincoln Ave., Aurora, Ill.
36. A. M. Sappenfield	1906	Corydon	Corydon, Indiana.
37. M. L. Stirewalt, r	1907	Professor	Mulberry, Indiana.
38. F. E. Stough, r	1907	Buckley	Buckley, Ill.
39. C. A. Dennig, r	1907	South Bend	South Bend, Indiana.
40. H. N. Thompson, r.	1907	Syracuse	Syracuse, Indiana.

a—absent; e—excused; r—received during year.

Roll of Lay Delegates.

Name	Parish	Residence
1. Niles T. Quales, M. D.	Wicker Park	Chicago
2. O. J. Waters, M. D.	Holy Trinity	Chicago
3. Robert Mortensen	St. Peter's	Chicago
4. F. Sache	St. Marks	Chicago
5. J. P. Nielsen	St. James	Chicago
6. Anton Arentz	Atonement	Chicago
7. I. S. Robinson	Epiphany	Chicago
8. P. J. Brock	St. Luke's	Chicago
9. E. F. Bartz	St. Matthews	Chicago
10. Calvin S. Brewer	Chicago Heights.	Chicago Heights, Ill
11. A. Ackermann	Holy Trinity	Elgin, Ill.
12. Fred Hilgendorf	Buckley	Buckley, Ill.
13. M. L. Deck	Decatur	Decatur, Ill.
14. Carl Rahn	Vandalia	Vandalia, Ill.
15. J. J. Kuhn	Nappanee	Nappanee, Ind.
16. Prof. G. M. Moser	Mulberry	Mulberry, Ind
17. N P. Altland	Syracuse	Syracuse, Ind
18. Luther Booher	Whitestown	Whitestown, Ind
19. Wm. Brewer	Colburn	Dayton R. F. D., Ind.
20. Alfred Bertsch	E. Germantown.	E. Germantown, Ind
21. J. Fred Rentschler	Holy Trinity	LaFayette, Ind.
22. James Dunn	First English	Mishawaka, Ind.
23. C. Hildebrand	Frankfort	Frankfort, Ind.
24. B. F. Wert	Holy Trinity	South Bend, Ind.
25. Robert Krout	Wallace	Wallace, Ind.
26. H. S. K. Bartholomew	Goshen	Goshen, Ind.
27. Charles Adam	Hicksville	Hicksville, O.

Applicants for the Ministry.

The following students of Theology were in attendance and were granted the privilege of the floor:

Mr. Calvin S. Brewer, Chicago Heights, Ill.
Mr. C. A. Naumann, Chicago, Ill.
Mr. H. J. Behrens, Columbus, O.
Mr. Paul Kuntzmann, Philadelphia, Pa.
Prof. M. L. Stirewalt, Mulberry, Ind.
Mr. F. E. Stough, Buckley, Ill.
Mr. C. A. Dennig, South Bend, Ind.
Mr. H. N. Thompson, Syracuse, Ind.
Mr. L. B. Deck, Philadelphia, Pa.

Visiting Ministers.

During this convention the following ministerial brethren were present and given the privilege of the floor:

Rev. J. C. Kuntzmann, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.
Rev. Luther J. Smith, Goshen, Ind.
Rev. V. C. Mengers, Philadelphia, Pa.
Rev. G. B. Hancher, Ph. D., Chicago, Ill.
Rev. Wm. Eckert, Racine, Wis.
Rev. A. R. Beck, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. J. H. Meyer, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. G. B. Kabele, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. T. B. Hersch, Evanston, Ill.
Rev. Thor Sigmund, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. C. K. Lippard, D. D., Saga, Japan.
Rev. Carl Christenson, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. E. Hensen, Chicago, Ill.
Rev. C. E. Tiller, Chicago, Ill.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN:

Owing to the removal of your President beyond the bounds of the Chicago Synod, it becomes my task as successor in his duties, to render to you the usual President's Report.

The times in which this the Thirty-seventh Annual Convention falls are times in which the task which God has given to the Church is with difficulty accomplished. The task of the Church is to make disciples of all men and this task is rendered exceedingly hard by the spirit of our times.

The interests of the Church are pre-eminently spiritual, eternal, while those of our age are material and temporal. The Church is or should be interested in the material and temporal welfare of mankind also, but her interests in the spiritual and eternal must ever be paramount. As a direct result of this intense interest in the material and temporal welfare, to the exclusion of the spiritual and eternal well being, we find positions of power and trust basely degraded and betrayed. Bribery and corruption are rampant. God's holy institutions and ordinances are held in light esteem, to the detriment of the well-being of Family, State and Church. Family ties, especially those of marriage are weakened or entirely broken, enemies of the true welfare of the State are found, answering to every description

and the Church suffers in a degree no less than these. Against the spirit which gives rise to all these evils the Church must valiantly contend. Her weapons as of old must continue to be the Sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. That weapon so skillfully used by our Saviour in his conflict with Satan, can be safely relied upon.

But while there is much to discourage the friend of the Church there is also much to encourage him. The very fact that in the midst of such difficulties, the Church cannot only exist, but actually make progress is in itself a proof positive of the divine power and mission. The problem of the Church is, in our own land, becoming largely a problem of the cities. More and more is the population forsaking the country and flocking to the cities. In the year 1850 only one-eighth of our population lived in cities of 8,000 or over. Today, much more than one-half are found in cities of 8,000 or over, and just in proportion as our population changes from rural to urban, does the difficulty of evangelization become the more difficult.

This is because of several factors, not least among which is the polyglot composition of our cities. In some of the larger American cities, one would scarcely look in vain for a representative of any known people. This polyglot composition of our cities places a peculiar responsibility on our polyglot Church.

Other factors which render the problem of the city difficult, are the environments which oftentimes is fatal to religious life; a lack of mutual interest which leads each family to be concerned more or less exclusively about its own welfare; lack of homes, which causes a continual moving from place to place. The fact that the Lutheran population of several of our largest American cities forms a very large proportion of the total population of these cities, larger in fact, than of any other Protestant Denomination, also lays a well defined duty at our door. The cities are the strategetic points. Efforts should be concentrated in them.

The conviction is growing more and more, that the Lutheran Church has a great mission to perform in our land, and expression is constantly being given to this conviction both by those within and those without our denomination. This conviction seems to be well grounded, for the growth of the Lutheran Church continues to be much greater proportionately than that of any other denomination. Of this growth the Chicago Synod enjoys her just share.

Upon the removal of President Hogshead, he sent to me a report of his official acts, together with such other affairs as touch the welfare of our Synod. This report follows:

Resignations.

Under date of August 13, 1906, I received a letter from Rev. J. V. Sappenfield saying that he had resigned the Claremont Parish, same to take effect December 1, 1906.

Under date of July 2, 1906 Rev. J. C. Deitz informed me that he had resigned the Ev. Lutheran Parish of Our Blessed Saviour at Alexandria, Ind., same to take effect September 30, 1906.

On September 4, 1906 Rev. Luther Hogshead resigned as pastor of the First English Ev. Lutheran Church of Goshen, Ind, same to take effect the last Sunday in November, 1906.

Under date of November 15, 1906 a letter was received from Rev. C. R. Dunlap saying that he had resigned as Pastor of the Church of the Redeemer at Austin, Ill.

Rev. William Brenner wrote under date of November 16, 1906, saying he had resigned the Ev. Lutheran Parish of Holy Trinity at South Bend, Ind., the same to take effect November 25, 1906.

Dismissals.

June 27, 1906 a letter was received from Rev. A. L. Boleik, pastor of the Nappanee Parish, asking a letter of dismissal to the Ev. Lutheran Tennessee Synod, to which Synod he had accepted a call. His letter was granted July 2, 1906.

Under date of September 2, 1906 a letter was received from W. J. Finck, asking a dismissal to the Ev. Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, to which Synod he had accepted a call. His letter was given September 5, 1906.

Under date of October 9, 1906 at his own request, Rev. J. C. Deitz was given a letter of dismissal to the Ev. Lutheran Synod of South Carolina to which Synod he had accepted a call.

On November 20, 1906, at his own request, Rev. William Brenner, of South Bend, Ind., was granted a letter of dismissal to the Ev. Lutheran District Synod of Ohio.

Calls Accepted.

August 20, 1906 a letter was received from Rev. J. V. Sappenfield saying that he had accepted a call to the East Germantown Parish, same to begin first Sunday in December 1906.

August 20, 1906, Rev. George R. Hancher, Ph. D., informed me that he had accepted a call to Holy Trinity Chicago and would take up the work the second Sunday in October, 1906.

Under date of September 17, 1906 Rev. A. R. Beck informed me that he had accepted a call to St. James Ev. Lutheran Church of Chicago, to begin work in a few weeks.

Under date of November 16, Rev. C. R. Dunlap wrote saying that he had accepted a call to the Ev. Lutheran of Epiphany at Chicago and had already begun work.

Rev. V. J. Becker, of Harlan, Ind., wrote under date of November 19, 1906 that he had accepted an unanimous call to the Nappanee Parish and would begin work on the first Sunday in December, 1906.

Installations.

On July 22, 1906 Rev. E. P. Conrad was installed pastor of the Colburn Parish by the President of the Synod.

On September 9, 1906 the Rev. J. H. Wannemacher was installed pastor of the Hicksville Parish by Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, who was assisted by Rev. William Brenner.

On October 14, 1906, Rev. A. M. Sappenfield was installed pastor of the corydon Parish by the President of Synod, assisted by Rev. J. V. Sappenfield.

November 4, 1906 Rev. R. C. Kaufmann was installed pastor of the Ev. Lutheran Church of the Redeemer at Aurora, Ill., by the President of Synod.

Corner Stone Laying.

On October 21, 1906, the corner stone of the Ev. Lutheran Church at Wicker Park, Chicago, was laid by The Rev. Prof. R. F. Weidner, D. D., L. L. D., assisted by Rev. A. D. Crile, the Pastor.

Dedication.

The English Ev. Lutheran Church at Wheeler, Ill., was dedicated July 8, 1906 by the President of Synod, assisted by Rev. John Knauer, the Pastor.

President's Resignation.

November 21, 1906, Rev. Luther Hogshead, President of the Chicago Synod, having accepted a call to Toledo, Ohio, tendered his resignation to the Secretary of Synod, Rev. H. B. Reed, and to him forwarded official acts, etc.

LUTHER HOGSHEAD,
November 21, 1906. Goshen, Ind.

Removal of President Hogshead From the Bounds of Synod.

On the twenty-second day of November, 1906, I received the following communication from the Rev. L. Hogshead, of Goshen, Ind., President of the Chicago Synod:

Goshen, Ind., November 21, 1906.

The Rev. H. B. Reed, Secretary of the Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church:

Dear Brother in Christ:—

The Constitution of our Synod requires that the Secretary of

Synod become President, in case the President should remove beyond the bounds of the Chicago Synod, and accept a call to another Synod.

I have accepted a call to St. Matthew's English Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Toledo, Ohio, which Parish is beyond the bounds of the Chicago Synod, and is a member of the Evangelical Lutheran District Synod of Ohio.

Because of the above mentioned fact, I do hereby tender to you my resignation as President of the Chicago Synod, the same to take effect at once. Most respectfully,

LUTHER HOGSHEAD.

Since the receipt of the above letter, I, as Secretary of the Chicago Synod, have discharged, according to constitutional requirement, and as my time and ability offered, the duties devolving upon the President. As Acting President I have the following report:

Resignations.

Under date of January 7, 1907, the Rev. John Knauer informed me that he had determined to resign as pastor of the Gila and Wheeler Parish, his resignation to take effect May 1, 1907. This he did, February 10, 1907.

On January 11, 1907, I was informed by the Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, that he had resigned as pastor of St. John's Church, Chicago, Ill., his resignation to take effect February 1, 1907.

In a letter dated January 25, 1907, the Rev. A. H. Arbaugh wrote that he had tendered his resignation as pastor of St. Paul's Congregation, Frankfort, Ind., on Sunday, January 20, the same to take effect the last Sunday in May, 1907.

In a communication dated February 13, 1907, the Rev. H. Peters informed me that he had resigned the pastorate of the Decatur Parish, to take effect April 1, 1907.

On the twentieth day of May, 1907 the Rev. C. R. Dunlap informed me that on May 14, he had resigned as pastor of Epiphany Church, Chicago, his resignation to take effect May 31, 1907.

May 28, 1907, the Rev. A. R. Beck informed me that he had resigned as pastor of the St. James' Church, Chicago, his resignation to take effect the latter part of July.

Calls Accepted.

On January 11, 1907, the Rev. J. R. E. Hunt informed me that he had accepted a call to become pastor of the Church of the Redeemer, Austin, Chicago, and would begin work in that Parish the first Sunday in February.

In a letter dated January 13, 1907, the Rev. C. L. Warstler, of St. Paul, Minnesota, informed me that he had accepted the call extended to him to become pastor of the Whitestown (Ind.) Par-

ish and that his pastorate of the latter place would begin ti first week in April.

Under date of February 13, 1907, the Rev. John Knauer i: formed me that he had received and accepted a call to becon pastor of the Church of Our Blessed Saviour, Alexandria, Inc and that he would begin the work the first of May.

On March 12, 1907, I was notified by the Rev. Thor. Sigmon that he had accepted a call to become pastor of St. John's Englis Evangelical Lutheran Church, Englewood, Chicago. He assume charge of the work the latter part of April.

In a letter dated March 13, 1907, the Rev. H. Peters, D. D wrote to me informing me of his acceptance of a call extende to him by St. Paul's Congregation, Frankfort, Ind. He wil assume charge June 1.

Under date of April 18, 1907, the Rev. Nathaniel Matthei: of Westfield, Wis., wrote to me that he had accepted a call e: tended to him by the Gila and Wheeler (Ill.) Parish, to be come pastor. He entered upon his work May 1, 1907.

In a communication dated May 29, from the secretary o the First English Lutheran Congregation at Goshen, Ind., I wa: informed that the Rev. L. J. Smith, of Roseville, Ohio, had ac cepted a call extended to him by this congregation. He tool charge May 26, 1907.

Mr. F. E. Stough, a graduate of our Lutheran Seminary in Chicago, informed me under date of May 6, 1907, that he had accepted a call to become pastor of the English Lutheran Church at Buckley, Ill., which he served during the past year.

In a letter dated May 9, 1907, the Rev. D. L. Reese, who has been supplying the Anderson, (Ind.) charge, informed me that he had received and accepted a unanimous call from this Parish to become its regular pastor. He assumed charge in this capacity Sunday, May 12.

Under date of May 14, 1907, Mr. C. R. Dennig, a graduate of the Chicago Lutheran Theological Seminary, informed me that he had accepted a call to become pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, South Bend, Ind. Mr. Dennig is already in charge of this work.

Mr. Henry Thompson, of the Lutheran Seminary in Chicago, on May 17, 1907, informed me that he had received and accepted a call to become pastor of the Syracuse Lutheran Parish, Syracuse, Ind. He desires to enter upon his duties the first part of June.

Supplies.

The Church of the Atonement, Chicago, has been acceptably supplied during the greater part of the past year by Student O. S. Yerger, of the Chicago Seminary. Rev. A. H. Arbaugh will have charge of this Mission after June 1.

The Claremont (Ill.) charge has been served by the Rev. Peters, D. D., during the months of April and May, 1907.

The Syracuse Parish has been supplied during the month of y, 1907, by Student S. L. Booger, of the Seminary at Chicago, nois.

The Anderson (Ind.) charge was regularly supplied by the v. D. L. Reese until his acceptance of a call to become ular pastor of that Parish.

The Mission at Chicago Heights is at present supplied by ident Calvin S. Brewer. This point was cared for by Student ndel during the winter.

Vacant congregations in our Synod have, for the most part, en regularly supplied during the period of their vacancy, rgely through the assistance of our Seminary at Chicago, Ill.

Installation.

The Rev. J. R. E. Hunt was regularly installed pastor of the hurch of the Redeemer, Austin, Chicago, at the Sunday morning rvice, March 10, 1907, by the Rev. A. D. Crile.

Applications for Membership.

The Rev. V. J. Becker, who has accepted a call from the Tappanee (Ind.) Parish, has presented a letter of honorable dismissal from the Synod of Northern Indiana, (General Synod), nd makes application for membership in this Synod.

The Rev. C. L. Warstler, having accepted a call to the Whitestown Parish, presents a letter of honorable dismissal from he Synod of the Northwest, and makes application for membership in the Chicago Synod.

These letters of dismissal, together with applications for membership in the Chicago Synod, are in the hands of the Committee on Examination.

The Evangelical English Lutheran Church of the Reformation, of Buckley, Ill., has made application for reception into our Synod. The application will be placed in the hands of the proper committee.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Ascension, Chicago Heights, Ill., has regularly applied for admission into our Synod. The application will be placed in the hands of the Committee on Reception of Congregations.

Applications for Ordination.

Charles R. Dennig, who has accepted a call extended to him by the Church of the Holy Trinity, South Bend, Ind., has made application for ordination at this Convention of the Synod.

Henry N. Thompson, who has accepted a call from the Syra-

cuse (Ind.) Parish, also makes application for ordination at this Convention of the Synod.

F. E. Stough, having accepted a call extended to him to become pastor of the English Lutheran Church at Buckley, Ill., in like manner makes application for ordination at this Convention of the Synod.

Prof. M. L. Stirewalt, having accepted a call extended to him by the Home Mission Committee of the Chicago Synod to act as its Traveling Missionary in the Southern Conference, also applies for ordination at this Convention of Synod.

Their applications have been placed in the hands of the Chairman of the Committee on Examination.

Dismissals.

In a letter dated March 13, 1907, the Rev. Luther Hogshead applied for a letter of dismissal to the District Synod of Ohio, on the ground that he had accepted a call to St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, of Toledo, Ohio., which church is a member of the District Synod of Ohio. A letter of dismissal was granted him March 16, 1907.

In a letter dated May 23, the Rev. Charles R. Dunlap applied for a letter of dismissal to the Pittsburg Synod (G. S.) on the ground that he had accepted a call extended to him by the Messiah Lutheran Church of Homestead, Pa., a member of that Synod. A letter was granted him on May 24, 1907.

Corner Stone Laying.

The Corner Stone of St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church, N. Francisco and Marianna Aves., Chicago, the Rev. M. E. Haberland, Pastor, was laid Sunday afternoon, April 28, 1907, by the pastor *loci*, assisted by several visiting brethren.

Dedications.

On Sunday, January 27, 1907, the new English Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity, Elgin, Ill., the Rev. Paul W. Roth, Pastor, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies by the Acting President of the Synod. The dedicatory sermon was preached by the Rev. D. Luther Roth, D. D., of Pittsburg, Pa. The church is a handsome brick structure, 72x90 feet, Gothic in style and erected at a cost of $25.000.

On Sunday, December 2, 1906, a marble baptismal fount was dedicated by the Acting President of Synod in the First English Lutheran Church at Mishawaka, Ind., the Rev. L. W. Steckel, Pastor.

On Sunday, May 26, the new St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church in which we meet today was dedicated by the Pastor, Rev. M. E. Haberland. The dedicatory sermon was preached by

the Rev. J. C. Kuntzman, D. D., Superintendent of English Home Missions of the General Council.

The new building of the Colburn Academy, at Mulberry, Ind., was dedicated Sunday, February 10, 1907, by Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., assisted by several visiting brethren. The building is a handsome three-story brick structure, 50x75 feet, and was erected at a cost of $15,000.

Parsonages.

The Rochester (Ind.) Parish, Rev. G. F. Dittmar, Pastor, has purchased a residence for the use of the pastor of that charge. A small debt rests upon it, but arrangements are being made whereby the incumbrance will very soon be removed. May other parishes follow this example!

Vacancies.

The Claremont (Ill.) Parish, the Decatur (Ill.) Parish and the Epiphany Parish, Chicago, are vacant at the present time. May the Great Head of the Church soon send pastors fitted to do successful work at these points. St. James, Chicago, will be made vacant by the resignation of the Rev. A. R. Beck. It is hoped that a successor may be secured before the removal of Mr. Beck.

Division of the Whitestown Parish.

This matter was last year referred to the Committee on Reception of Congregations, which recommended: "That the President visit this Parish in person, or send a representative, who shall endeavor to bring about such division as shall be agreeable to the majority of all concerned."

Owing to the removal of the President, this matter to the best of our knowledge, has not received attention. The necessity for division is, however, still as urgent as ever.

The Chicago Seminary.

Again this year, our Synodical Roll will be enlarged by the addition of the names of four graduates from this institution. The Chicago Synod profits more constantly and largely from the existence of this school, than any other Synod. This fact should lead us to support this institution much more generously than we are doing. We are assured by one who is in a position to know, that while the benefit which we receive is proportionately larger than that of any other of our General Council Synods. our support during the past year has been proportionately less than of any other. This condition should be remedied.

The Lutheran.

There is great need for the wider circulation of this excellent weekly paper in the homes of our parishoners. The management is making every effort to furnish for us a high-grade denominational paper, and are succeeding to such a degree as to merit greater support.

A plan is proposed whereby one or more editions annually, would pay particular attention to the congregational, institutional and Synodical interests of our body, and prove mutually, helpful to the paper and our Synod. The plan is submitted to Synod for consideration.

Woman's Missionary Society.

The committee appointed last year met in the fall of 1906 at the home of President Hogshead, and formulated a proposed constitution. It was planned by the committee to hold a meeting of delegates for organization in connection with this meeting of Synod. For various reasons this was rendered unadvisable, in fact, impossible. Synod should express its further will in regard to the work of this committee.

Recommendations.

We recommend:

1. That effort be continued to secure a satisfactory division of the Whitestown Parish.

2. That a concerted effort be made to increase the circulation of The Lutheran in our Synod.

3. That the effort be made to increase the support of the educational institutions of our Church situated in our territory, viz., the Theological Seminary at Chicago, and the Colburn Academy at Mulberry, Ind.

4. That suitable stationery be provided for the official correspondence of Synod.

5. That the Treasurer of Synod be authorized to submit quarterly statements to the congregations.

Respectfully submitted,

H. B. REED, Acting President.

The report was received and referred to the Committee on President's Report.

Election of Officers.

The President appointed Rev. G. F. Dittmar, Rev. E. P. Conrad and Mr. P. J. Brock as tellers.

The election resulted as follows:

President—The Rev. H. B. Reed, Chicago, Ill.
Secretary—The Rev. W. J. Seiberling, Mulberry, Ind.
Treasurer—The Rev. Isaiah Whitman, Hillisboro, Ind.

Report of Examining Committee.

Your committee has complied with the special directions of the Constitution in the case of each of the following named ordained ministers:

I. Rev. V. J. Becker, called as pastor of the Nappanee Parish, presents a regular dismissal from the Synod of Northern Indiana and an application for admission into this body. He has read our Constitution and declares himself in accord with it. We recommend his reception.

II. Rev. N. Mattheis, at present pastor of the Gila Parish, comes with a regular certificate of dismissal from the Wisconsin District of the Ev. Lutheran Synod of Iowa and other states. He desires membership in this body and declares himself in harmony with our Constitution. We recommend that he be received.

III. Rev. C. L. Warstler presents a letter of good and regular standing in the Ev. Lutheran Synod of the North-West, with a letter of transfer to this body, and desires membership as the pastor of the Whitestown Parish. We recommend that he be received.

The following named brethren have been duly examined, acquitted themselves with great credit, and are recommended for ordination:

I. Mr. C. A. Dennig, a recent graduate of the Chicago Theo. Sem., and called as Pastor of Holy Trinity Church, South Bend, Ind., requests that he be ordained and admitted into this Synod.

II. Mr. Henry M. Thompson, having received a call from the Syracuse Parish, desires to be ordained and admitted to membership.

III. Mr. F. E. Stough, also a graduate of our Chicago Theo. Sem., has been called as Pastor of the Ev. Luth. Church of the Reformation at Buckley, Ill., and applies for ordination and membership.

IV. Prof. Martin L. Stirewalt, of the Colburn Academy, a graduate of our Seminary and called by the Home Mission Committee as a missionary of Synod to labor under the direc-

tion of the Mission Committee in the Southern Conference, desires to be ordained and enrolled as a member.

Your Committee recommend that Synod grant the request of these brothers for ordination; that the service next Sunday morning, (June 2) be reserved for this solemn act, and that Rev. Paul W. Roth be appointed to preach the ordination sermon.

We further recommend that, after being ordained and signing the Constitution, they be enrolled as members of the Chicago Synod. Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was considered by items and adopted as a whole.

After the adoption of the report of the Examining Committee, the brethren coming to us from other Synods and the applicants for ordination were introduced to Synod by the Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Chairman of the Examining Committee, and were welcomed by President Reed. Those received from other Synods then signed the Synodical Constitution and their names were added to the "Roll of Ministers."

At this time Synod was addressed by the Rev. J. C. Kuntzmann, D. D., Supt. of English Home Missions of the General Council.

The hours for opening and closing the daily sessions were fixed as follows: Morning Session, 9 to 12. Afternoon Session, 2:00 to 5:00. Evening service 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Wm. C. Miller, of Detroit, Mich., read his paper on "What the Church is; What it is not." The discussion was opened by the Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, of Austin, Ill.

The program arranged for this convention was adopted by Synod.

The President then appointed the

Regular Committees:

Credentials of Lay Delegates—Rev. L. W. Steckel, Rev. John Knauer, Rev. G. F. Dittmar.

President's Report—Rev. P. C. Wike, Rev. H. J. Mathias, Mr. M. L. Deck.

On Protocol and Minutes—Rev. P. J. Gerberding, Rev. R. C. Kaufmann.

On Absentees—Rev. P. J. Gerberding, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, of. G. M. Moser.
The Press—The Lutheran—Rev. Prof. G. H. Gerberding, D.
Local Press—Rev. J. R. E. Hunt.
On Conferences—Rev. L. W. Steckel, Rev. A. M. Sappenfield.
Auditing Committee—Mr. A. W. Ackerman, Mr. F. Sache, P. J. Brock.

The President also completed the

Standing Committees:

Examination—Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. G. H. Gerberng, D. D., Rev. H. Peters, D. D., Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. J. Seiberling.
Home Missions—Rev. H. Peters, D. D., Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. W. Roth, Rev. P. C. Wike, Mr. A. Ackerman, Dr. N. T. uales, Mr. Geo. W. Wehmeyer, Mr. C. T. A. Anderson.
Foreign Missions—Rev. S. D. Myers, Rev. E. Parker Conrad, Mr. N. P. Altland.
Education—Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. I. Whitman, Mr. H. S. C. Bartholomew.
Benevolence—Rev. Geo. F. Dittmar, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Mr. Charles Adam.
Discipline—Rev. A. C. Anda, Rev. P. J. Gerberding, Rev. J. H. Wannemacher, Rev. H. J. Mathias, Rev. W. C. Miller.
Reception of Congregations—Rev. L. W. Steckel, Rev. E. D. S. Boyer, Mr. B. F. Wert.
Parochial Reports and Appointments—Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Rev. P. C. Wike, Rev. D. L. Reese, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. Luther Booher.

Special Committee.

History of Synod and Historical Monographs—Rev. Z. M. Corbe, Rev. W. C. Miller, Rev. R. C. Kaufmann.

Synod adjourned at 5:07, being led in prayer by Rev. H. J. Mathias.

Second Session.

St. Luke's Church, Chicago, Ill.,
May 30th, 1907, 9 A. M.

The Matin Service was conducted by the Rev. G. F. Dittmar.

The roll was called and the minutes of the first session were read and adopted.

Report of the Home Mission Committee.

Another year has passed since we unitedly planned for the growth of our mission work. This work will never be finished. The Church ever has and always must persuade people to be disciples of the blessed Christ. This is the Church's first duty.

To accomplish this work today schools and synods are necessary. Schools to prepare the men and synods to send them to preach. The history of the mission work of our Synod, extending over a period of twenty years, will demonstrate how necessary it is to have these two agencies working in harmony.

The material and equipment for making a very large church is before us. Institutions and organizations and people to be claimed as followers—we may do much or little as our interest in the cause prompts us.

We are making progress in our work, for which we should not forget to be thankful, yet the greater part lies beyond untouched by any effort on our part.

The Mission Committee is glad to report progress, in the main, during the year. The six vacancies are filled; five with regular ordained men and one with a second year theological student.

Some missions have reported an actual loss in members, but for effectual work every one shows splendid vigor and offers a good report.

Mt. Solomon, Corydon, Ind., under the care of Rev. A. M. Sappenfield, has made substantial progress and has made its bow and thanks the Synod for past help and passes over into the self-supporting list.

Holy Trinity, South Bend, Ind., under the rapid advancement since the present pastor, Student C. A. Dennig, has been on the field, has come with its report of good cheer, thanking Synod for the help of past years and saying: "We have decided not to ask for any more help from Synod."

We look for much help from Holy Trinity as one of the full grown members of our family.

First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mishawaka, Ind. Amount of aid needed for coming year? None.

"On behalf of the congregation, I wish to thank the Synod for their aid and courtesies extended to us during the past five years. Fraternally yours,

N. F. BIRK."

Well done. Another adult in the family. Much has been accomplished in a short time and we feel assured that the good work will go on. Rev. Lloyd W. Steckel, the good pastor, has done well. This congregation has a substantial, beautiful church building and a very good parsonage.

Three less Missions, how many more shall we begin? Synod gave the committee option in regard to beginning work in an organized way in Chicago Heights.

Representatives of the board made several visits to the field. They found a building bought in the name of a Lutheran congregation, yet no kind of church organization. The Home Mission Committee had taken no definite action. After considerable consideration the committee decided that because of the work already begun and the seeming need of an English Lutheran congregation in that growing suburb, that an organization should be made.

This was done under the style and name of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Ascension, Chicago Heights, Ill. We desire that it be known as the Chicago Heights Parish. The mission should soon be permanently located in a more suitable place. The committee has called Student Calvin S. Brewer to cover the field. This is the only new place for Synod to work that the committee has had power to establish.

Attention has been called to Hawthorne and Gary, both Illinois, as probable fields. We are not prepared to make any specific recommendations.

It seems to your committee that in view of the fact that our missions, St. Peter, St. Matthew, Atonement, St. James, Chicago, Chicago Heights, Ill., and Lafayette. Ind., are all in urgent need of church homes. Our next duty is to help them in securing loans and paying the interest in part or in whole for such time as they may need such help or until the Church Extension shall have money for them.

The housing of our congregations is the serious matter immediately at hand and emphasizes the urgent need of Church Extension money. Would we not do well to rather help what we have into needed homes and begin new missions only in the most urgent places?

Recommendations.

I. We recommend appropriations to the various missions as indicated in the column "Aid Asked" in the accompanying table.

II. Regarding the St. Matthew's Parish, we recommend that Synod pay the interest on $3,000.00 for three years or until the Church Extension Society may make a loan, and that this help be extended on condition that within a year this congregation build a place of worship upon its new lot, costing at least $4,000.00.

III. We recommend that if the St. Peter's congregation will move its old building and carry its funded debt, Synod pay the interest for three years on a sum not exceeding $5,000.00 necessary to build the basement of a new church, and that from that time the congregation shall become self-sustaining.

IV. That Synod pay the interest upon a sum not to exceed $5,000.00 for a period of three years, or until loan can be secured from Church Extension Society. The above money shall be used only for purposes of a new building.

V. That the General Council endeavor to secure under its control the Church Extension Society and that it and the Home Mission Society be merged into one body.

VI. That the Mission Committee be and is hereby authorized to transfer the Synod's mission work to the General Council Mission Board, if the plan of unification of missions becomes operative before the next regular meeting of Synod.

VII. That the Synod appropriate $3,000 to be at the disposal of the Mission Committee for Home Missions and Church Extension work this synodical year.

Respectfully submitted
THE COMMITTEE.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

	Souls	Communic'ts	Gain		S. S.	Property	Debt	Income	Benevolence	Aid ('06-'07)	Aid asked
St. Matthews, Chicago	250	98	----	14	125	$ 4700	$ 1500	$ 1298	$98.	$ 200	$ 200
St. James, Chicago	206	70	10	----	161	3500	600	750	750.	300	450
Atonement, Chicago	124	50	20	----	81	------	------	600	------	300	450
Our Savior, Alexandria, Ind.	62	29	----	23	37	15000	------	325	7.4	300	300
Holy Trinity, LaFayette, Ind.	100	75	----	4	75	5800	1000	905	120.	400	400
Asceusion, Chic. Heights, Ill.	65	19	----	----	47	350	150	275	3.	250	300
Nappanee Parish Nappanee, Ind.	109	68	----	4	115	4700	37=	470	133.	100	150
Wheeler, Ills.	35	19	----	1	----	1300	280	100	------	100	150
Mt. Solomon Corydon, Ind.	204	140	5	----	20	500	------	769	254.	150	------
First Church Mishawaka, Ind.	112	60	5	----	85	17800	------	728	60.	150	------
Holy Trinity South Bend, Ind.	183	100	25	----	120	3500	300	1304	87.	100	------
St. Peter's Chicago, Ill.	500	170	10	----	----	5500	1500	1050	110.	100	100
Syracuse, Ind.											200

The above data was submitted on or before May 1st. Accessions between May 1st and meeting of Synod are not reported For latest reports see parochial report.——Committee.

The report was considered by item and adopted.

Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Home Mission Committee of the Chicago Synod.

June 6, 1906 to May 29, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

Balance cash on hand as per last report	$ 683.43
Rec'd from Treasurer of Synod, Rev. I. Whitman	2306.32
Rec'd from Special Collections	4.00
Rec'd from loan from Daniel Rex, due Aug. 14, 1907	500.00
Total	$3493.75

EXPENDITURES.

To St. Peter's, Chicago	$100.00	
To St. Matthew's, Chicago	200.00	
To St. James, Chicago	307.83	
To Atonement, Chicago	270.00	
To Chicago Heights	360.00	
To Alexandria, Ind.	134.50	
To Mishawaka, Ind.	150.00	
To South Bend, Ind.	58.31	
To LaFayette, Ind	400.00	
To Wheeler, Ill.	150.00	
To Nappanee, Ind.	83.32	
To Corydon, Ind.	100.00	
To Traveling Ex., Postage, and Int. on Loan	74.00	
Total Expenses	$2387.96	
To paid loan, due August 10, 1906	500.00	
Total paid out	$2887.96	
Balance cash on hand	605.79	
Grand total	$3493.75	$3493.75

Respectfully submitted,

C. T. A. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Annual Report of the Treasurer of ;

June 4, 1906—May 20, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand at last report	
Offering at Synod for Benevolence	
Offering at Synod for Education	
Offering at Synod for Foreign Missions	
Offering at Synod for Seminary in Chicago	
Offering at Synod for Synodical Home Missions.	
For Church Extension of the General Council...	
For Home Missions of the General Council	
For Synodical Missions, Special Offerings	
For Foreign Missions, Special Offerings	
On Appointments	
Total Receipts	

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Beneficiary Education	
To Church Extension of the General Council	
To Colburn Academy	
To Home Missions of the Gencral Council	
To Synodical Home Missions	
To Foreign Missions	
To Seminary in Chicago	
To Synodical Expenses	
To Works of Mercy	
Cash on Hand	
Tota.	

RECEIPTS IN DETAIL

June 4, 1906 to May 20, 1907

PARISHES AND PASTORS	CONGREGATIONS.	Delinquency	Apport'ment	Special.	Total.
Alexandria	Our Saviour		$ 13.40		$ 13.40
Anderson	St. John's		65.12		65.12
Anderson	Mt. Zion's		13.50		18.50
Aurora	Redeemer	12.00	12.00	11.50	35.50
Chicago	Holy Trinity		26.79	15.00	41.79
Chicago	Wicker Park		150.00		150.00
Chicago	St. Mark's		69.56		69.56
Chicago	St. James'	26.00	36.00		62.00
Chicago	St. Matthew's	33.20	58.20		91.40
Chicago	St. Peter's		96.00		96.00
Chicago	St. Luke's		17.19		17.19
Chicago	St. John's		10.00		10.00
Chicago	Atonement	24.00			24.00
Chicago	Epiphany		22.20	2.70	24.90
Chicago (Austin)	Redeemer		28.20		28.20
Claremont	St. James'		20.60		20.60
Claremont	St. Paul's				
Colburn	St. John's	19.83	57.32		77.15
Colburn	Zion's		30.34	12.52	42.86
Colburn	Bethel	21.00			21.00
Corydon	Mt. Solomon		53.55		53.55
Decatur	First English	14.27	91.29	10.84	116.40
Detroit	St. Paul's				
Detroit	Christ's				
East Germantown	Zion's	32.66	34.14		66.80
East Germantown	St. Jacob's		17.76		17.76
East Germantown	St. John's		16.28		16.28
Elgin	Holy Trinity		25.00	7.18	32.18
Fort Wayne	Holy Trinity		531.32		531.32
Frankfort	St. Paul's		76.32	51.20	127.52
Goshen	First English		161.90	11.35	173.25
Hicksville	St. John's		64.38		64.38
Hicksville	Lost Creek		51.06	18.01	69.07
Hicksville	Zion's	21.85	19.98		41.83
LaFayette	Holy Trinity		5.25	5.07	10.32
Mishawaka	First English	9.00	36.00	15.07	60.07
Mulberry	Zion's	27.38	114.70		142.08
Mulberry	Fair Haven	16.61	109.53		126.14
Nappanee	St. John's	1.55	19.20		32.15
Nappanee	Emmanuel		27.00	1.24	28.24
Newberry	St. Peter's	5.93	34.08	11.25	51.26
Newberry	Mt. Zion's		37.74	5.40	43.14
Rochester	St. Paul's	7.34	35.40		42.74
Rochester	St. John's		19.24		19.24
South Bend	Holy Trinity		49.80		49.80
Syracuse	Grace	7.35	19.80		27.15
Syracuse	St. Paul's		10.90		10.90
Vandalia	St. James'	7.96	97.68	92.72	198.36
Wallace	Phanuel		85.10	25.42	110.52
Wallace	Emmanuel		22.94	3.58	26.52
Wallace	Philadelphia		16.28		16.28
Wheeler	Union		49.65		49.65
Wheeler	Wheeler				
Whitestown	Union				
Whitestown	Salem's	16.00	23.75		39.75
Whitestown	St. Mark's		27.00		27.00
Whitestown	St. James'		65.12		65.12

Of the fifty-seven congregations in Synod, thir
their appointment in full, or overpaid. The follo
linquent to the amounts designated:

Alexandria, Our Saviour .....
Chicago, Holy Trinity .....
" Wicker Park .....
" St. Luke's .....
" St. John's .....
" Atonement .....
" Epiphany .....
Claremont, St. James' .....
" St. Paul's .....
Colburn, Bethel .....
Corydon, Mt. Solomon .....
Detroit, St. Paul's .....
" Christ's .....
East Germantown, Zion's .....
Elgin, Holy Trinity .....
Gila, Union .....
" Wheeler .....
Hicksville, Zion's .....
LaFayette, Holy Trinity .....
Newberry, St. Peter's .....
Rochester, St. Paul's .....
" St. John's .....
Syracuse, St. Paul's .....
" Grace .....
Whitestown, Union .....
" Salem's .....
" St. Mark's .....

Total Delinquency .....

The following amounts have been received since
and are credited as follows:

St. Paul's, Frankfort, Ind .....
St. Luke's, Chicago, Ill. .....
English Lutheran Church, Chicago Heights, Ill. .....
St. Paul's, Syracuse, Ind. .....

St. Mark's, Whitestown, Ind	81.04
Union, Whitestown Parish, Ill.	14.06
Wicker Park, Chicago, Ill.	100.00
Holy Trinity, Chicago	198.91
Bethel, Colburn Parish	8.50
St. Paul's, Rochester	20.10
St. John's, Rochester	13.35
Mt. Solomon's, Corydon	56.55
Holy Trinity, Lafayette	42.21
St. John's, Colburn Parish	4.10
Zion's, Colburn Parish	3.90
	$ 628.56

I. WHITMAN, Treasurer.

The report was received and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Letter from Mrs. Amanda Ella Bernheim:

Charlotte, N. C., October 15th, 1906.

To the Chicago Synod of the Ev. Lutheran Church.

Having cherished the hope of doing something to aid in the work of building up the cause of Home Missions of our Church in the State of Illinois, I do hereby respectfully submit to you the following offer:

I will put Five Thousand Dollars, in different installments at such times as the money is paid to me, into the keeping of a Trustee, to be appointed by you and for the period of the natural lives of myself and of Dr. Bernheim, my husband. You are to pay six per cent. per annum interest to us and to the survivors of us, and after the death of each of us the principal shall be the sole and absolute property of the Chicago Synod, subject, nevertheless for the sole use of building up Home Mission work of our Church in Illinois. The trustee shall give an approved bond. A copy, duly certified, shall be furnished to us in the sum double of the amount of the said trust fund. Respectfully submitted, AMANDA ELLA BERNHEIM, nee LEASE.

The letter was received with joy and referred to the Home Mission Committee to report at their earliest convenience.

Synod adjourned at 12:05 with prayer by the Rev. P. J. Gerberding.

Third Session.

St. Luke's Church, Chicago, I
May 30th, 1907 2 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by the Rev. W. Steckel.

The roll was called and the minutes of the mornin session were read and adopted.

Report of the Home Mission Committee on the Letter o Mrs. Amanda Ella Bernheim.

The Home Mission Committee desires to report as follow concerning the very kind and generous offer to Synod by Amand Ella Bernheim, nee Lease, which offer has been referred to thi Committee.

1. We recommend that the offer be accepted and that th proposition made by the donor bearing date of October 15, 1906 be printed as part of this report.

2. That we duly elect by ballot a Trustee, who shall properly qualify according to the terms made by the donor and that the term of office shall not be limited. But in event of the death of said Trustee, the President of Synod be ex officio Trustee of said fund until a regular meeting of Synod, when a successor in office shall be elected.

3. Resolved, That we as a Synod sincerely thank the Mrs. Amanda Ella Bernheim for her generous offer, and we express our joy in the manifestations of such loyal spirit to the welfare of the Chicago Synod's Home Mission work in Illinois.

4. We recommend that Mr. M. L. Deck, of Decatur, Ill., be elected by ballot as the Trustee of this fund.

5. We recommend that the Secretary send a copy of the above action of Synod to the donor.

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Reception of Congregations.

We, the Committee, would respectfully report the following:

Two congregations have made formal application for admission to Synod, and have sent Commissioners to this Convention.

I. Application has been made by Mr. Fred Hilgendorf in

behalf of the Ev. Lutheran Church of the Reformation of Buckley, Ill. Whereas, this congregation has complied with the former recommendations of Synod, we therefore recommend that they be admitted, and that their commissioner sign the Constitution of Synod.

II. Application has been made by Student Calvin S. Brewer on behalf of the Ev. Lutheran Church of the Ascension, Chicago Heights, Ill. They have presented their Constitution which is in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of Synod. We therefore recommend that they be admitted and that their Commissioner sign the Constitution of Synod.

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted and the Commissioners of the congregations received were recognized as regular delegates after signing the Constitution of Synod.

The Joint Committee on Education with Synod of the Northwest made its report. The same was referred back to the committee, with instructions to report that they have nothing definite to recommend. The Committee was continued.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.

During the past year our Foreign Mission Board sustained quite a loss financially by the failure of the bank in India, through which they carried on their business.

Appeals were sent to all our congregations to come to their rescue by taking up special offerings to make up this loss, and we hope that all the pastors of our Synod gave heed to the appeal.

Your Committee has learned that during the past year there were three scholarships supported in the Boys' School at Rajahmundry at a cost of $30.00 each.

And also two scholarships in the Girls' School at a cost of $15.00 each.

The Luther League of St. Peter's, Chicago, supporting one and the Ladies' Missionary Society of Zion's Congregation, Mulberry, Ind., two boy's scholarships.

The Luther Leagues of St. James, Vandalia, Ill., and St. Paul's, Frankfort, Ind., each supported a girl's scholarship.

Your Committee recommends:

I. That Synod appropriate the sum of $150.00 for the s port of the Rev. J. William, the native pastor in our India fi the coming year.

II. That Synod appropriate $200.00 and the Foreign Miss offering received at this Convention of Synod to the India I sions.

III. That Synod appropriate $125.00 to the Porto Rico M sion Work. Respectfully submitted

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was considered by item and adopted

Report of the Board of Trustees of the Colburn Academy.

The prayers and hopes of those connected with the ea history of Colburn Academy are being realized. The buildi and grounds which at the last Convention of Synod were mere plans, have become substantial realities.

Ground was broken for the new building in August, 19(The building was dedicated February 10, 1907. The dedicati sermon was preached by the Rev. H. Peters, D. D., and the a of dedication performed by the Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., our Seminary. The new building is 78x57 feet; is four stori high including the basement. The first floor is divided into fo recitation rooms, two of which can be converted into an a sembly room by removing a roller partition. The second an third floors are arranged for dormitories. The third floor re mains unfinished.

The grounds have been graded and driveways and walks hav been laid and trees and shrubbery planted.

But the Academy has not only grown in outward appear ance. Fifty-four students have studies within its walls unde four instructors. The General Council Graded System of religiou instruction was given from Bible Story to Bible Literature.

The Board has been fortunate in securing an additional in structor, Prof. M. L. Stirewalt, whose work in the class room has been most satisfactory to the Board and students. The Board awarded diplomas to four graduates in the Academic Dept., two of which are from other denominations. The contest in elocution for the gold medal was of a high order, the medal was awarded to Mr. C. P. Tranberg, of Chicago. We have reason to believe that the Academy has also grown in favor with the parishes of our Synod. Our Field Secretary has been at work during the year and his appeals for students and funds have been responded to most liberally.

Bequests amounting to $4000.00 have been secured and accord-

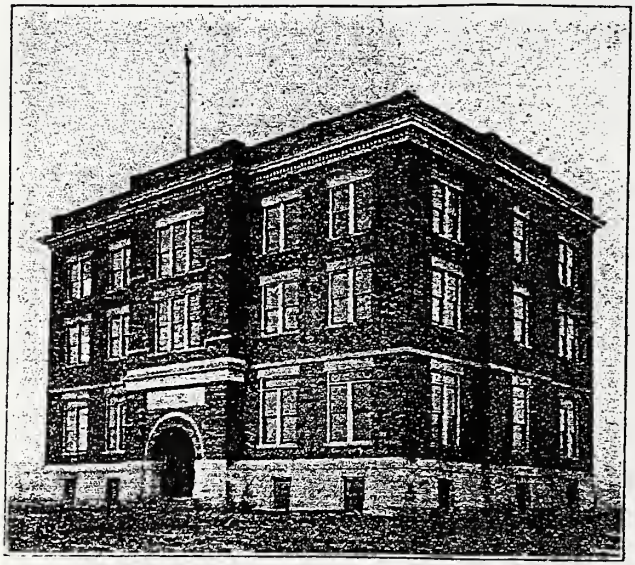
ing to the report of the Field Secretary this is only a beginning of good things to follow. Rooms in the dormitory have been furnished by different societies and the hope is expressed that the pastors of Synod will bring this matter to the attention of their societies that the remaining rooms may be fitted up before the opening of the school in September. The new catalogue which has gone to press will give additional information as to building, course of study and additional instructors.

In addition to the Academic course, the Freshman year of college work has been completed, and provision has been made to continue the College course in the Sophomore year. Five of the students enrolled during the year have the ministry in view, two of these are ready for the Sophomore class.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. SEIBERLING, Sec'y of the Board.

The report was received and ordered spread upon the minutes.



COLBURN ACADEMY

The Rev. H. Peters, D. D., read his paper on "Go Truth Not Dependent on Man's Faith." The discuss was opened by the Rev. Paul J. Gerberding.

Synod voted to give the offering received at opening service on Wednesday morning to St. Luk Evangelical Lutheran Church, in which Synod met.

The offering received at the service of Wednesd evening was devoted to Home Missions of Synod.

The President announced the Committee on Ho Missions.

Synod adjourned at 5 o'clock with prayer by t Rev. C. G. Stacy.

Fourth Session.

St. Luke's Church, Chicago, I
May 31st, 1907, 9 A. M.

The Matin Service was conducted by the Rev. S. I Myers. The roll was called and the minutes of the thir session were read and adopted.

Next Convention.

On motion Synod proceeded to the consideration o invitations for holding the next convention of Synoc Invitations were received from Holy Trinity, South Bend Ind., and from the St. James' congregation of the Clare mont (Ill.) Parish. The Rev. P. C. Wike and Mr. Charle: Adam were appointed as tellers.

Synod voted to accept the invitation of Holy Trinity South Bend. The time for holding the next conventio was set for Wednesday after Trinity Sunday, A. D., 1908 at 10 o'clock A. M.

Election of Trustees.

Mr. M. L. Deck, Decatur, Ill., was unanimously elected Trustee for the special Home Mission fund offered by Mrs. Amanda Ellen Bernheim.

Mr. Nels Johnson, Chicago, Ill., was regularly elected a Trustee of the Chicago Synod for a period of three years, making the list of Trustees as follows:

Mr. C. T. A. Anderson, Chicago, Ill. (Term expires 1908.)
A. G. Webber, Esq., Decatur, Ill. (Term expires 1909.)
Mr. Nels Johnson, Chicago, Ill. (Term expires 1910.)

Delegates to the General Council.

Clerical.

Regular	Alternate
Rev. H. B. Reed, ex officio.	Rev. M. E. Haberland
Rev. A. D. Crile	Rev. W. J. Seiberling
Rev. H. Peters, D. D.	Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D.
Rev. I. Whitman	Rev. P. C. Wike

Lay Delegates.

Regular	Alternate
Dr. Niles T. Quales	Mr. Oscar Miller
Dr. O. J. Waters	Mr. H. S. K. Bartholomew
A. G. Webber, Esq.	Mr. F. Swingle
S. S. Ohl	Mr. Luther Booher

Synod adjourned at 12 o'clock with prayer by the Rev. J. R. E. Hunt.

Fifth Session.

St. Luke's Church, Chicago, Ill.
May 31st, 1907, 2:00 P. M.

The Devotional Services were conducted by the Rev. V. J. Becker. The roll was called and the minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

On motion Synod instructed its delegates to the General Council to bring the necessity of a Hymnal with music to the attention of the President of the Council before the convention and also to agitate the matter during the convention.

The Secretary of Synod was instructed to communicate with the Synod of the Northwest, asking them to take similar action.

Report of Committee on President's Report.

Your Committee on President's report submits the followi
We find it a well written paper, containing much use information and timely recommendations. We recommend:

I. That the official acts of the President and Acting Pr ident be approved.

II. That the Woman's Missionary Society, appointed at t last Convention, be continued and that Synod reaffirm the acti taken at the last Convention.

III. That the division of the Whitestown Parish be referr to the Home Mission Committee.

IV. That the plan submitted by The Lutheran, looking to more general circulation of this paper in our Synod, and i adaptation to our local needs be adopted.

5. That the efforts now being made to increase the suppo of the educational institutions of our Church, situated on ou territory be encouraged.

VI. That recommendations 4 and 5 of the report be adopte

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted as above and the officers o. Synod authorized to enter into some arrangement wit "The Lutheran" for the issuing of synodical editions.

Synodical Edition of The Lutheran.

The following is an extract from a letter received from The Lutheran relative to the issuing of Special Synodical Editions:

The Lutheran has for some time given the question earnest thought, as to how it might create greater interest in the specific work of our Synod and do its varied causes service, and has reached the conclusion, that, with a moderate outlay of fund, the desired object can be obtained.

If, for instance, one or more editions of The Lutheran—as many as the needs of your Synod might require—were to be issued every year, in which four or eight additional pages might be devoted specifically to congregational, institutional, and synodical interests, much might be accomplished to widen the outlook and stimulate the zeal of people who seldom look beyond the bounds of the local congregation. If your Synod would authorize its officers to enter into some arrangement with The Lutheran that would be mutually satisfactory, some plan of cooperation could be devised whereby synodical interests might be

pressed home to the rank and file of our people and printer's ink be put to very good use.

Though this would mean considerable additional care and labor, The Lutheran management is willing to undertake the work of issuing Special Synodical Editions on the following conditions:

1. That it be given the assistance of an editorial committee to be appointed by the editors and the President of Synod conjointly.

2. That the additional cost of such special edition be borne by the Synod.

The cost of an edition of four pages of additional matter is approximately $36.00; of eight pages, $63.00, on the basis of an edition of 6,000 copies.

This cost would be considerably reduced by increasing the size of the edition. If, for instance, pastors were to order copies of such edition for general distribution in lots of 20 or more, paying a trifle more per copy than the cost per copy of the additional four or eight pages, the item of expense for such edition would hardly enter into the question.

If your Synod approves of a little expenditure of money in this way, The Lutheran will be glad to enter into definite arrangements with the proper authorities.

The Committee on Protocol and Minutes of Previous Convention made a partial report. While under consideration the hour for hearing the afternoon paper arrived and the further discussion of the report was made the first order of business for Saturday morning. The Rev. Prof. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., presented his paper on "Man's Salvation Dependent Upon His Acceptance of God's Plan of Redemption." The Rev. A. D. Crile led in the further discussion of this paper.

The Secretary announced that the Commissioners of the Church of the Reformation, Buckley, Ill., and the Church of the Ascension, Chicago Heights, Ill., had signed the Constitution of Synod, and that their names had been added to the roll of lay delegates.

Synod adjourned at 5:00 o'clock, with prayer by the Rev. C. L. Warstler.

Sixth Session.

St. Luke's Church, Chicago, Ill.,
June 1st, 1907, 9 A. M.

The Matin Service was conducted by the Rev. J. H. Wannemacher. The roll was called and the minutes of the Fifth Session were read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Protocol and Minutes of Previous Convention.

We, your Committee on Protocol and Minutes of Previous Convention, beg to submit the following:

1. The Committee has examined the Secretary's books and finds the proceedings of the last Convention satisfactorily recorded. We recommend that they be approved.

2. On page 46 of the printed minutes we find that the term of Mr. Nels Johnson, of Chicago, Ill., as Trustee of Synod, expires this year. We recommend that Synod consider the matter of a successor.

3. On page 47 of the same minutes we find that a written notice of a proposed change in item "A" Section 22, Art. III, of the By-Laws was given. The paper states that the proposed change is for the purpose of providing for the appointment of the Home Mission Committee immediately after the adoption of its report. We recommend that the change be made.

4. On page 28 of the same minutes we further find that a paper signed by the Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. L. W. Steckel and Rev. P. W. Roth was presented, giving notice of a proposed change in Article X, Section 3, of the Synodical Constitution by striking out the word "twice" and inserting the word "once". We recommend that the change be made.

5. On page 37 we read that Synod voted to open the doors of its congregations to the Financial Secretary of the Colburn Academy. A question as to the meaning of this has been asked. We recommend that such information be given.

6. Under the report of Committee on President's Report, Page 31, item 3, we find a recommendation to consider the advisability of making the office of President a paid one. The action of Synod on this item was that each parish should act on this matter and report to Synod at this Convention. We recommend that the roll be called and each parish give the required report.

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was considered by item and the following action was taken:

Items 1 and 2—Adopted.

Item 3—Adopted and the following clause added to the item referred to "Except the Home Mission Committee. which shall be appointed immediately after the report of the Home Mission Committee is conciuded."

Item 4—Adopted and the change made.

Item 5—The information was given.

Item 6—The roll of parishes was called and the matter was referred back to the congregations and the defining of the office of a salaried President was referred to a special committee constituted as follows: Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Rev. H. Peters, D. D., and Rev. J. H. Wannemacher.

At a subsequent session this committee offered the following report, which was adopted:

Report of Special Committee on Salaried President.

Whereas, the Constitution of Synod lays duties upon the President of Synod, which he cannot fully perform so long as he is a regular pastor of a congregation, resolved:

I. That we favor the principle that the office of the President should be a salaried office so that the President might give his whole time to the interests of Synod.

II. That such a President is in no way to have legislative or dictatorial power but is rather to be an advisor whose counsel may be sought and secured whenever needed.

III. That the ways and means for providing means for the salary of the President shall be provided after the majority of congregations have voted in favor of the office.

IV. That with this understanding we recommend this matter to our congregations for action.

The Report was considered and adopted.

Report of Committee on Education.

Your Committee desires to submit the following report:

Item 1. C. S. Brewer makes application for a continuance of financial aid in the sum of $100.00 for the coming year to enable him to continue his work in the Chicago Seminary.

A letter was received from Student S. L. Boger asking aid for a like sum and for a like purpose.

Rev. G. F. Dittmar has made application for aid for T.

Umbaugh and Fred Umbaugh in the sum of $100 each to ena them to enter the Freshman class in college with the view preparing themselves for the ministry.

Through Rev. M. E. Haberland, Edward Valbracht asks a in the sum of $100 for the coming year to enable him to ent college to prepare himself for the ministry.

Your Committee has made as thorough investigation of ea of the above applications as circumstances permitted and we b lieve the applicants to be worthy of the aid asked. We ther fore recommend that these requests be granted.

Item 2. We further recommend Colburn Academy, at Mu berry, Ind., as a suitable institution for these young men to a tend to secure at least a portion of their collegiate education.

Item 3. We further recommend that applicants for aid atten only such institutions as may be approved by the Education Com mittee.

Item 4. We also recommend that the offering taken at th evening service devoted to education, be turned over to Colburn Academy.

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was amended and adopted as above.

The Report of the Committee on Benevolence.

Your Committee on Benevolence Reports:

1. There has been no application for ministerial relief.

2. A service was held in the interest of benevolence on Friday evening at which Rev. H. L. Fritschel, General Director of the Institution of Protestant Deaconesses, delivered the address.

3. We recommend that the offering of last night be given to the Lutheran Deaconess Mother-House, of Milwaukee, Wis., Rev. H. L. Fritschel, Treasurer.

4. We recommend that our congregations do as much as possible to support the different Passavant Institutions under the control of the Institution of Protestant Deaconesses, viz: The Lutheran Deaconess Mother-House, Milwaukee; The Orphans' Home, Zelienople, Pa.; The Home for Epileptics, Rochester, N. Y., and the hospitals at Chicago, Milwaukee, Pittsburg and Jacksonville, Ill.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted.

First Annual Report of the Trustees of the Chicago Synod.

To the Officers and Members of the Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church:

Chicago, May 25. 1907.

Dear Brothers—We, your Trustees, beg to submit the following as our first annual report. We beg to inform you that

since the last meeting of Synod, the following property belonging to the Chicago Synod has come into our possession, and is now kept in a vault at the office of C. T. A. Anderson, 167 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill.: one Abstract of Title, one copy of will of Clara Graff, Warranty Deed from Emma E. Clark to Clara E. Graff, Deed from Edmund G. Hamersly, Executor, Affidavit from Emma E. Clark, dated June 1, 1900, three Special Assessment Vouchers, one dated June 30, 1900, for $191.91, one for June 30, 1900, for $264.50, and one dated April 29, 1901 for $36.92. One Voucher from Walker & Foster, dated July 12, 1900 for Examination of Title, and Fire Insurance Policies on Church Building for $5,000. All of the above property is for the Church of "Our Saviour," Alexandria, Ind. Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WEBBER,
NELS JOHNSON,
C. T. A. ANDERSON,
Trustees.

The report was adopted.

Report of the Committee on Parochial Reports and Apportionments.

The Committee on Parochial Reports and Apportionments begs leave to submit the following:

In order that the various appropriations of Synod, amounting in all to $4700.00, may be met we recommend that the Mission congregations be apportioned on the basis of .60 and the self-sustaining on the basis of .83 per member.

2. Whereas the supply of parochial blanks is nearly exhausted we recommend that the committee be authorized to secure a new supply, the number to be determined by Synod.

3. Whereas, the printing of parochial blanks is a necessity, and whereas, the old blanks are easily misunderstood and deficient in certain particulars we recommend the following form for the consideration of Synod:

PAROCHIAL REPORT.

Of ..... Church of the .....Pastorate, for the Synodical year ending with and including Whit Sunday.
Pastor's Name .....
P. O. Address .....
Name of Secretary .....
P. O. Address .....

1. MEMBERSHIP.

   (a) Entitled to Commune..... ———
   (b) Communed during the Year ..... ———
   (c) Active membership (including all active members who either have contributed to the support of the Church or have attended its services within the past two years).. ———
   (d) Baptized Members (including all entitled to commune and their minor children who have been baptized) ..... ———
   (e) Souls under Pastor's care (including all members of the Sunday School)..... ———

2. INFANT BAPTISMS ..... ———

3. CATECHUMENS ..... ———

4. ACCESSIONS:

   (a) By Adult Baptism ..... ———
   (b) By Confirmation ..... ———
   (c) By Letter of Transfer (From Lutheran Congregations only) ..... ———
   (d) By Renewal of Faith ..... ———
   (e) By Restoration. (For those only who have been under discipline) ..... ———

5. LOSSES:

   (a) By Death ..... ———
   (b) By Letter of Transfer ..... ———
   (c) Removal (Only for those who have removed from the bounds of the congregation and have been lost sight of)..... ———
   (d) By Exclusion ..... ———

6. SUNDAY SCHOOLS:

   (a) Number ..... ———
   (b) Members ..... ———
   (c) Income ..... ———

7. WOMEN'S SOCIETIES:

   (a) Number ..... ———
   (b) Members ..... ———
   (c) Income ..... ———

8. LUTHER LEAGUES AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

   (a) Number ..... ———
   (b) Members ..... ———
   (c) Income ..... ———

9. ESTIMATED VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY:
(Including Parsonages, School Houses, Chapels, Cemeteries, Etc.) ..... _____

10. LOCAL EXPENSES: (Including the Pastor's Salary) ..... _____

11. BENEFICENCE:

(a) Synodical Apportionment
- Syn. Home Missions... _____
- Foreign Missions..... _____
- Beneficiary Education.. _____
- Synod. Expenses ..... _____
- Ministerial Relief ..... _____

(b) General Council Home Missions ..... _____
(c) General Council Church Extension..... _____
(d) Orphan Work ..... _____
(e) For the Chicago Seminary ..... _____
(f) For Colburn Academy ..... _____
(g) For Local Benevolence and Missions ..... _____
(h) For Other Benevolence ..... _____
Total Beneficence ..... _____
Total Expenditures ..... _____

4. Whereas, there has been more or less dissatisfaction among the pastors and congregations of Synod with reference to the apportionments of Synod, we therefore recommend that the apportionment be based on the active membership of the congregations and that the expression "active membership" be so defined that it include all members entitled to commune who have either contributed to the support of the Church or attended its services within the past two years.

5. Whereas, the St. Luke's congregation has been heavily burdened by building, we recommend that in compliance with their request they be apportioned on the Mission basis.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE.

The report was considered by items, amended and adopted as above.

APPORTIONMENTS 1907-1908.

PARISHES AND PASTORS.	CONGREGATIONS.	Synodical Home Missions.	Education.	Foreign Missions.	Synodical Expenses.	Total
Alexandria, Rev. John Knauer.....	Our Saviour	$ 11.31	$ 1.74	$ 1.74	$ 2.61	$ 17.
Anderson, Rev. D. L. Reese.....	St. John's	36.57	6.21	6.21	8.28	57.
	Mt. Zion's	13.78	2.34	2.34	3.12	21.
Aurora, Rev. R. C. Kaufmann.....	Redeemer	16.38	2.52	2.52	3.78	25.
Buckley, Rev. F. E. Stough.....	Reformation	25.97	4.41	4.41	5.88	40.
Chicago, Rev. G. B. Hancher.....	Holy Trinity	161.65	27.45	27.45	36.60	253.
Rev. A. D. Crile.....	Wicker Park	265.00	45.00	45.00	60.00	415.
Rev. Z. M. Corbe	St. Mark's	53.53	9.09	9.09	12.12	83.
Rev. A. R. Beck.....	St. James'	27.30	4.20	4.20	6.30	42.
Rev. P. J. Gerberding.....	St. Matthew's ...	38.61	5.94	5.94	8.91	59.
Rev. H. B. Reed.....	St. Peter's	66.30	10.20	10.20	15.30	102.
Rev. M. E. Haberland.....	St. Luke's	53.82	8.28	8.28	12.42	82.
Rev. Thor. Sigmund	St. John's	62.54	10.62	10.62	14.16	97.
Rev. A. H. Arbaugh.....	Atonement	26.52	4.08	4.08	6.12	40.
(Vacant)	Epiphany	19.50	3.00	3.00	4.50	30.
(Austin)Rev. J. R. E. Hunt	Redeemer	22.62	3.48	3.48	5.22	34.
Chicago Heights, C. S. Brewer,(Stu.)	Ascension	7.41	1.14	1.14	1.71	11.
Claremont, (Vacant)	St. James'	74.20	12.60	12.60	16.80	116.
	St. Paul's	31.80	5.40	5.40	7.20	49.
Colburn, Rev. E. P. Conrad.....	St. John's	31.27	5.31	5.31	7.08	48.
	Zion's	18.02	3.06	3.06	4.08	28.
	Bethel	7.95	1.35	1.35	1.80	12.
Corydon, Rev. A. M. Sappenfield....	Mt. Solomon	74.20	12.00	12.00	16.80	116.
Decatur, (Vacant)	First English	62.54	10.62	10.62	14.16	97.
Detroit, Rev. J. A. Miller	St. Paul's	51.87	7.98	7.98	11.97	79.
Detroit, Rev. W. C. Miller.....	Christ's	39.00	6.00	6.00	9.00	60.
East Germantown,	Zion's	30.74	5.22	5.22	6.96	48.
Rev. J. V. Sappenfield.....	St. Jacob's	14.51	2.52	2.52	3.36	23.
	St. John's	10.60	1.80	1.80	2.40	16.
Elgin, Rev. P. W. Roth	Holy Trinity.....	193.98	32.94	32.94	43.92	303.
Fort Wayne, Rev. S. Wagenhals,D.D.	Holy Trinity.....	387.43	65.79	65.79	87.72	606.
Frankfort, Rev. H. Peters, D. D....	St. Paul's	61.48	10.44	10.44	13.92	96.
Goshen, Rev. Luther J. Smith.....	First English	100.17	17.01	17.01	22.68	156.
	St. John's	50.88	8.64	8.64	11.52	79.
Hicksville, Rev. J. H. Wannemacher	Lost Creek	35.51	6.03	6.03	8.04	55.
	Zion's	10.60	1.80	1.80	2.40	16.
LaFayette, Rev. E. D. S. Boyer....	Holy Trinity	29.25	4.50	4.50	6.75	45.
Mishawaka, Rev. L. W. Steckel.....	First English	31.80	5.40	5.40	7.20	49.
Mulberry, Rev. W. J. Sciberling....	Zion's	85.86	14.58	14.58	19.44	134.
	Fair Haven	85.86	14.58	14.58	19.44	134.
Nappanee, Rev. V. J. Becker.....	St. John's	14.32	2.28	2.28	3.42	22.
	Emmanuel	15.60	2.40	2.40	3.60	24.
Newberry, Rev. H. J. Mathias.....	St. Peter's	24.38	4.14	4.14	5.52	38.
	Mt. Zion	25.97	4.41	4.41	5.88	40.
Rochester, Rev. G. F. Dittmar	St. Paul's	39.75	6.75	6.75	9.00	62.
	St. John's	16.96	2.88	2.88	3.84	26.
South Bend, Rev. C. A. Dennig....	Holy Trinity	53.00	9.00	9.00	12.00	83.
Syracuse, Rev. H. N. Thompson....	Grace	16.38	2.52	2.52	3.78	25.
	St. Paul's	15.21	2.34	2.34	3.51	23.
Vandalia, Rev. S. D. Myers.....	St. James	72.06	12.24	12.24	16.32	112.
	Phanuel	63.60	10.80	10.80	14.40	99.
Wallace, Rev. I. Whitman	Emmanuel	16.43	2.79	2.79	3.72	25.
	Philadelphia	8.48	1.44	1.44	1.92	13.
	Union	59.36	10.08	10.08	13.44	92.
Wheeler, Rev. N. Mattheis.....	Wheeler	7.41	1.14	1.14	1.71	11.
	Union	10.60	1.80	1.80	2.40	16.
	Salem	58.30	9.90	9.90	13.20	91.
Whitestown, Rev. C. L. Warstler....	St. Mark's	74.20	12.60	12.60	16.80	116.
	St. James'	45.58	7.74	7.74	10.32	71.

Special Report of the Home Mission Committee.

The Home Mission Committee begs leave to report as follows:

Item 1. The Church of Holy Trinity, LaFayette, Ind., earnestly requests help in securing a church building. Your Committee recommends the following action: That Synod pay the interest on a sum of money not to exceed $5,000.00 for a period of three years or until such loan may be made by the Church Extension Society, on the condition that this money shall be used exclusively for payment toward the church building.

Item. II. The Home Mission Committee begs leave to report concerning the division of the Whitestown Parish, the following plan for the consideration of the congregations concerned:

1. That the St. James congregation of the Whitestown Parish become a part of a new Parish known as the Colburn Parish and shall consist of the present Colburn Parish and St. James congregation.

2. That St. Mark's (Whitestown) Union near Whitestown, and Salem, near New Augusta, constitute the Whitestown Parish.

3. That upon the acceptance of this plan by the said congregations it shall become operative.

4. That the President of Synod shall visit the field and advise with the congregations in the consideration of the above plan.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

The Auditing Committee reports that they have examined the books of Treasurer of Synod also Books of Treasurer of Home Mission Committee and find them O. K.

THE COMMITTEE.

Report of the Archivist.

Your Archivist has received a number of valuable documents and packages during the past year. These have all been duly labeled and stored away.

G. H. GERBERDING, Arcnivist.

Report of Committee on Conferences was made the first order of business for the afternoon session. Synod adjourned at 11:55 with prayer by the Rev. A. D. Crile.

Seventh Session.

St. Luke's Church, Chicago, Ill.
June 1st, 1907, 2 P. M.

The Devotional Services were conducted by the Rev H. J. Mathias. Roll call was dispensed with and the minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Conferences.

The Committee on Proceedings of Conferences begs leave to offer the following report:

We have examined the minutes of the Northern and Southern Conferences and find that each have held two sessions during the year.

In the minutes of the Northern Conference we find nothing requiring the action of Synod.

In the minutes of the Southern Conference the attention of Synod is directed to Delphi, Kokomo, Terre Haute, New Castle and Crawfordsville, all in Indiana, as prospective mission points.

THE COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted and the action of the Southern Conference was referred to the Home Mission Committee.

Report of Committee on Absentees and Excuses.

Your Committee on Absentees and Excuses submits the following:

1. Rev. J. A. Miller, Rev. R. F. Weidner, D. D., and Rev. A. V. House have sent letters explaining their inability to be present at this convention of Synod. We recommend that they be excused.

2. The following brethren have explained the necessity of their absence from some of the sessions of Synod: Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. I. Whitman, Rev. G. F. Dittmar, Rev. R. C. Kaufmann, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Rev. D. L. Reese, Rev. C. G. Stacy, Rev. P. W. Roth, Rev. A. C. Anda. We recommend that they be excused.

3. The following parishes have given satisfactory reasons why they have sent no delegates: Christ's, Detroit, Mich.; Newberry, Ind.; Corydon, Corydon, Ind.; Alexandria, Alexandria,

Ind.; Aurora, Aurora, Ill.; St. Paul's, Detroit, Mich.; Union, Gila, Ill. We recommend that they be excused.

4. The following Lay Delegates have given satisfactory reasons why they should be excused from some of the sessions of Synod: Fred Hilgendorf, H. A. Stone, Alfred Bertsch, E. J. Bartz and Robert Krout. We recommend that they be excused.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE.

The report was adopted.

Report of Committee on History of Synod and Historical Monographs.

We, your Committee on History of Synod and Historical Monographs, would respectfully report that the Rev. M. L. Wagner has finished the History of Synod which this body requested him to write and that he has forwarded the same to your committee with the understanding that the same be returned to him if not published by the Synod.

In the matter of Historical Monographs, but little has been accomplished. A few inquiries have been made concerning the matter and several pastors are at work on historical sketches. The parishes of the Mulberry charge have placed a short history of their parish in the hands of the Committee and have volunteered the use of cuts which are in their possession to illustrate said article when printed.

Your Committee would recommend:

First, That Synod take immediate steps to publish the very valuable history which the Rev. M. L. Wagner has placed at our disposal.

Second, That in the matter of Historical Monographs, the Committee be authorized to turn them over to the editors of the Chicago Lutheran for publication in their paper.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE.

The report was received and the following action was taken:

Item I. Adopted and referred to the Committee to provide ways and means for the publication of the same in book form.

Item 2. Adopted.

On motion of the Chairman of the Committee it was

Resolved, That Synod hereby extends its most hearty and sincere thanks to the Rev. M. L. Wagner for the very able manner in which he has prepared the History of Synod and also express its appreciation of his generosity in placing this valuable work at the disposal of this body.

Resolution of Thanks.

The following resolution offered by the Rev. I Peters, D. D., was adopted:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Synod be extende to the Pastor and congregation of St. Luke's Church for th kind and rich hospitality with which we have been received an entertained during the session of Synod. That we express ou hearty appreciation of the careful preparations which have bee made and carried out so successfully by Pastor, people an choir, in rendering all our public services with so much edifica tion.

Resolved, That the President be instructed to present thi action to the congregation at our Sunday evening service.

The Secretary was instructed to have 3,000 copies of the minutes of Synod printed for distribution.

The President appointed the following committees.

Standing Committees.

Examination—Rev. S. Wagenhals, D. D., Rev. G. H. Gerberding, D. D., Rev. H. Peters, D. D., Rev. C. L. Warstler, Rev. A. D. Crile.

Home Missions—Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. H. Peters, D. D., P. W. Roth, Rev. P. C. Wike, Rev. H. B. Reed, (ex officio), Messrs. A. W. Ackermann, C. T. A. Anderson, Dr. N. T. Quales, E. J. Mosser, Esq.

Foreign Missions—Rev. Paul J. Gerberding, Rev. E. P. Conrad, Mr. H. S. K. Bartholomew.

Education—Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. I. Whitman, Mr. H. S. K. Bartholomew.

Benevolence—Rev. S. D. Myers, Rev. J. V. Sappenfield, Mr. Charles Adam.

Discipline—Rev. A. C. Anda, Rev. J. H. Wannemacher, Rev. H. J. Mathias, Rev. William C. Miller, Rev. John Knauer.

Reception of Congregations—Rev. L. W. Steckel, Rev. M. E. Haberland, Mr. B. F. Wert.

Parochial Reports and Apportionments—Rev. George F. Dittmar, Rev. D. L. Reese, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh, Messrs. James Dunn, Luther Booher.

Special Committees.

History of Synod and Historical Monographs—Rev. Z. M. Corbe, Rev. J. R. E. Hunt, Rev. M. E. Haberland.

Committee on Women's Synodical Missionary Society—Mrs. Rebecca Stettler, Syracuse, Ind., Miss Minnie Ridenour, Hicksville, Ohio., Mrs. Oscar Miller, Mishawaka, Ind.

Joint Committee on Education with Synod of the Northwest —Rev. A. D. Crile, Rev. I. Whitman.

Board of Trustees, Colburn Academy—(A Self-Perpetuating Body)—President, Rev. I. Whitman; Secretary, Rev. W. J. Seiberling; Treasurer, Rev. E. D. S. Boyer, Rev. M. L. Wagner, Rev. H. Peters, D. D.; Messrs. O. J. Mennen, Daniel Rex, Wm. Brewer, Wm. H. Armentrout.

The minutes of the seventh session were read and adopted. Synod adjourned at 3:30 to meet in final session after the close of the Sunday evening service.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. J. R. E. Hunt.

Eighth Session.

St. Luke's Church, Chicago, Ill.,
June 2, 1907, 9:30 P. M.

After the close of the evening service Synod was called to order by President Reed.

The Secretary reported that the brethren ordained at the Morning Service had signed the Constitution, and that their names had been added to the Roll of Ministers.

The President read the resolution of thanks adopted by Synod and in a few additional words expressed the appreciation of Synod to the pastor and congregation of St. Luke's Church for the kindness and interest manifested. After the singing of a closing hymn Synod adjourned at 9:45 according to the prescribed order of the Church Book.

"Not unto us, O. Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for Thy mercy, and for Thy truth's sake."

W. J. SEIBERLING, Secretary.

Conventions of the Chicago Synod in Chicago.

	1896	1907	Gai
Number of Parishes	22	40	
" " Congregations	37	58	
" " Pastors	23	40	
" " Pastors present	18	37	
" " Lay Delegates	14	27	
Communicant Members	3576	5981	14
Sunday Schools	31	49	
Synodical Missions	none	13	
Treasurer's Report (Receipts)	1743.46	3612.79	1869.
Total Beneficence	2207.51	8590.62	6383.
Value of Church Property	233,575	488,585	285,01

NEXT CONVENTION.

Wednesday, June 17, 1908, 10 a. m., Holy Trinity Englis Evangelical Lutheran Church, South Bend, Ind. Rev. C. Dennig Pastor.

Religious Services and Addresses.

WEDNESDAY MORNING:

Confessional and Morning Services.
Synodical Sermon by the Rev. H. B. REED, Acting President, Chicago, Ill., based on II Timothy 4:2-5.
Celebration of the Lord's Supper.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON:

Paper—"What the Church is; what it is not."—Rev. J. A. MILLER, Detroit, Mich; read by Rev. Wm. Miller.
Discussion opened by Rev. J. R. E. HUNT, Chicago, Ill.

WEDNESDAY EVENING—HOME MISSIONS:

Service in charge of Rev. A. D. CRILE, Chicago, Ill.
Address by Rev. J. C. KUNZMANN, D. D., Superintendent of English Home Missions, Philadelphia, Pa.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON:

Paper—"God's Truth not dependent on Man's Faith." Rev. H. PETERS, D. D., Frankfort, Ind.
Discussion opened by Rev. PAUL J. GERBERDING, Chicago.

THURSDAY EVENING—EDUCATION:

Service in charge of Rev. I. WHITMAN, Hillsboro, Ind.
Address by Prof. M. L. STIREWALT, Mulberry, Ind.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON:

Paper—"Man's Salvation dependent upon his acceptance of God's Plan of Redemption." Rev. Prof. G. H. GERBERDING, D. D., Chicago, Ill.
Discussion opened by Rev. A. D. CRILE, Chicago, Ill.

FRIDAY EVENING—BENEVOLENCE:

Service in charge of Rev. G. F. DITTMAR, Rochester, Ind.
Address by Rev. H. L. FRITSCHEL, Director of the Deaconess Mother House, Milwaukee, Wis.

SUNDAY FORENOON:

Morning Service, in charge of the Officers of Synod.
Ordination Sermon by Rev. PAUL W. ROTH, Elgin, Ill.
Ordination of Candidates for the Ministry by the Officers of Synod.
Offering for the Chicago Seminary.

SUNDAY EVENING—FOREIGN MISSIONS:

Service in charge of Rev. S. D. MYERS, Vandalia, Ill.
Addresses by Rev. C. L. WARSTLER, Whitestown, Ind., and Rev. C. K. LIPPARD, D. D., Saga, Japan.

Name.	Parish.	Location.
Holy Trinity	Holy Trinity	.....La Salle av. and Elm st., Chic
Wicker Park	Wicker Park	....N. Hoyne av. and Le Moyne st., Chic
Epiphany	Epiphany	.....597 Ogden av., Chic
St. John's	Englewood	....Indiana av., S. of Sixty-first st., Chic
St. Mark's	Lake View	.....Clark st. and Addison av., Chic
St. Peter's	Humboldt Park .	N. Spaulding av. and Le Moyne st., Chic
St. Matthew's ..	Mandell	Flouruoy st., near Forty-seventh av., Chic
St. James'	Logan Square ...	Kimball Hall, Hayes st. nr Kimb'l av. Chi'
St. Luke's	Logan Square ...	....N. Francisco and Mariana aves., Chic
Atonement	Englewood	.....Sixty-ninth and Laflin sts., Chic
Redeemer	Austin	....5232 W. Chicago av., (Austin) Chic
Ascension	Chicago Heights	.....Chicago Heights, Illin
Reformation	Buckley	.....Buckley, Illin
St. James'	Vandalia	.....Vandalia, Illin
First English ...	Decatur	N. Main and Williams st., Decatur, Illin
St. James'	Claremont	.....Claremont, Richland county, Illin
St. Paul's	Claremont	.....West Liberty, Illin
Union	Gila	.....Gila, Illino
Holy Trinity	Elgin	.....Elgin, Illino
Redeemer	Aurora	.....Aurora, Illino
Holy Trinity	Fort Wayne	Wayne and Clinton sts., Fort Wayne, Indian
Holy Trinity	South Bend	.....South Bend, Indian
First English ...	Mishawaka	.....Mishawaka, Indian
First English ...	Goshen	.....Goshen, Indian
Holy Trinity	LaFayette	.....LaFayette, Indian
St. Mark's	Whitestown	.....Whitestown, Indian
St. James'	Whitestown	..Near Darlington, Montgomery co., Indian
Salem	Whitestown	..... New Augusta, Indian
Union	Whitestown	..... East of Whitestown, Indian
Emmanuel	Nappanee	...S. W. of Nappanee, Kosciusko co., Indiana
St. John's	Nappanee	....Nappanee, Indiana
St. Paul's	Syracuse	.....Benton, Elkhart county, Indiana
Syracuse	Syracuse	.....Syracuse, Kosciusko county, Indiana
Emmanuel	Wallace	...Near Hillsboro, Fountain county, Indiana
Phanuel	Wallace	....Near Wallace, Fountain county, Indiana
Philadelphia	Wallace	.....Near Milligan, Park county, Indiana
St. John's	Colburn	.....Near Owasco, Carroll county, Indiana
Zion's	Colburn	.....Colburn, Tippecanoe county, Indiana
Bethel	Colburn	.....Pettit, Tippecanoe county, Indiana
Zion's	E. Germantown ...	...East Germantown, Wayne county, Indiana
St. John's	E. Germantown .	.....Middletown, Henry county, Indiana
St. Jacob's	E. Germantown .	.....Millville, Henry county, Indiana
St. Paul's	Rochester	.....Tiosa, Fulton county, Indiana
St. John's	Rochester	.....Bruce Lake, Fulton county, Indiana
Zion's	Mulberry	..... Mulberry, Indiana
Fairhaven	Mulberry	.....near Mulberry, Indiana
St. Paul's	Frankfort	..... Frankfort, Indiana
Our Saviour	Alexandria	..... Alexandria, Indiana
St. John's	Anderson	..... Anderson, Indiana
Mt. Zion's	Anderson	.....Ovid, Madison county, Indiana
St. Peter's	Newberry	.....Newberry, Greene county, Indiana
Mt. Zion's	Newberry	.....Monroe City, Knox county, Indiana
Mt. Solomon	Corydon	..... Near Corydon, Indiana
Zion's	Hicksville	.....Hall's Corner, Allen county, Indiana
St. John's	Hicksville	..... Hicksville, Ohio
Lost Creek	Hicksville	.....North of Hicksville, Ohio
St. Paul's	Detroit	16th and Breckenridge sts., Detroit, Michigan
Christ	Detroit	Woodward and Hendrie aves., Detroit, Mich.

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PARISHES AND PASTORS.	CONGREGATIONS.	Entitled to Commune	Communed during the year	Baptized Members	Infant Baptisms	Catechumens	Accessions: By Adult Baptism	Accessions: By Confirmation	Accessions: From Luth. Churches	Accessions: From Other Churches	Accessions: By Restoration	Losses: By Death	Losses: By Removal	Losses: By Exclusion	Sunday School: Number Officers and Teachers	Sunday School: Pupils	Sunday School: Income	Estimated Value of Church Property	Local Expenses	Beneficence: Synodical Home Missions	Beneficence: Foreign Missions	Beneficence: Education	Beneficence: Synodical Expenses	Beneficence: For the Chicago Seminary	Beneficence: Home Mission of the General Council	Beneficence: Orphan Work	Beneficence: For Colburn Academy	Beneficence: Local or Other Benevolence	Beneficence: Church Extension of the General Council	Total Beneficence	Total Expenditures
ndria, Rev. John Knauer-	Our Saviour	29	29	02			4		2				3		1 0	87	$ 23.00	$15000.00	$ 025.04	$ 13.00										$ 43.00	$ 008.00
erson, Rev. D. L. Reese	St. John's	09	53	122	1	10	1	5	1			2	1		1 9	40	73.27	8000.00		48.84	5.70	4.88	5.70		2.25		$ 20.00	$ 10.00		8.00		
	Mt. Zion's	20	24	40			1																								
rn, Rev. R. C. Kaufman	Redeemer	42	39	58	3	10	1	10	12	2		1	2	2	1 10	57	18.28	2000.00	00.00	13.08	1.58	1.80	1.50							18.50	78.50
ley, Rev. F. M. Stough	Ch. of Refin.	49	45	60	11	0	9	18	10	8					1 7	80	20.00	800.00	463.35	0.00	1.05	.00	1.05		5.83				5.07	23.50	486.85
ago, Rev. Geo. B. Hauchen	Holy Trinity	305		471	7			8	10	1		1	4	6				75.00	850.00												850.00
Rev. A. D. Crile	Wicher Park	500		1100	40	65		11							1 50	650	750.00	43000.00	4500.00												
Rev. Z. M. Corbe	St. Mark's	101	97	487	0	25	1	5	8		3		10		2 25	243	337.89	8200.00	1979.63	250.00				05.		50.00		100.			
Rev. A. R. Beck	St. James'	70	42	200	3	15	1	12	3				5		1 16	161	156.34	3500.00	824.21	52.17	0.08	5.22	0.09	100.00	0.01			20.11	7.53	435.	
Rev. P. J. Gerberding	St. Mathew's	90	83	250	24			0	11	2	1	2	12	1	1 20	125	255.03	4700.00	1200.00	27.00	2.70	3.15	3.15				8.00	80.00		214.90	2194.53
Rev. H. B. Reed	St. Peter's	170	133	500	17	32	3	27	16			3	25	2	1 81	800	220.00	5000.00	1250.00	46.65	3.44	4.07	3.24					40.75	2.00	05.00	839.31
Rev. M. D. Haberland	St. Luke's	138	120	304	21	10	1	7	1	10			5		1 35	350		18000.00	2300.00	73.00	8.40	7.20	8.40	2.00	6.45		85.00	4.00	2.	100.75	1800.75
Rev. Thor. Sigmond	St. John's	118		285											1 15	100		12000.00	2000.00											118.95	1903.95
Rev. O. S. Yorger	Ch. of At'mt.	68	68	118	18		2	14																							
Rev. C. R. Dunlap	Epiphany	60	44	110	1	0		8			5	1	9		1 9	80	60.07		204.80	17.10	2.12	2.35	2.35							24.00	288.80
stin) Rev. J. R. E. Hunt	Ch. of Red'r.	68	50		4	7		7		1	11		4		1 11	95		475.00	690.00	10.65	1.04	1.07	1.94						2.70	24.90	714.90
emont (Vacant)	St. James'	140	06	187	11	25					1	5			1 16	150	54.00	800.00	739.25	21.15	2.11	2.47	2.47							28.20	867.45
	St. Paul's	60	52	100	11	4							2		1 10	75	17.75	3000.00	214.00	14.85			10.00	21.37			150.00			196.22	410.22
rn, Rev. E. P. Conrad	St. John's	59	57	00		0						3	7		1 10	85	25.00	1000.00	125.00												125.00
	Zion's	34	33	68									7		1 0	41		2000.00	285.50	37.74	3.77	4.41	4.40								
	Bethel	15	15	80														7800.00	595.00	22.75	2.27	2.06	2.06	1.00	4.10		137.50			191.02	477.42
don, Rev. A. M. Sappenfield	Mt. Solomon	140	107	204	16	0	7	12				1	11					1000.00	105.00	8.52					8.37		216.00		12.52	209.78	858.78
tur (Vacant)	First English	118			9		2	12	0			7	7		1 0	20	10.00	000.00	510.00	74.92	7.40	8.74	8.76	10:00			80.00			44.52	149.52
olt, Rev. J. A. Miller	St. Paul's	139	130	288	18		8	13	1	8	24		15	1	1 14	72	73.07	25000.00	03.20	0.82	7.97	7.97		140.95	10.84					259.90	709.90
Rev. W. C. Miller	Christ's	100	80	200	0		5	15	10				5		1 12	108	120.00	7500.00	1200.00	45.00	4.50	5.25	5.25		10.00			10.00		280.81	1568.17
	Zion's	58	45				5	2		2	1		3		1 0	75	81.25		463.80											260.81	1848.50
ermann'n, J. V. Sappenfield	St. Jacob's	28	24		2		1	2	4			1	3		1 8	100	22.30	8000.00	530.00	25.53	2.08	2.65	2.98		31.50	12.25		10.20	10.00		
	St. John's	20	7										8		1 10	35	10.00	800.00	200.00		5.00									148.50	670.00
n, Rev. P. W. Roth	Holy Trinity	300	289	000	10	12	3	38	0		35		20		1 25	255	142.88	25000.00	00.00	12.21	1.42	1.22	1.40	25.00						80.00	280.00
Wayne, Rev. S. Wagenhals	Holy Trinity	731			24	32	7	24	13	5		0	30		1 25	250	104.00	15000.00	2000.00	25.00										41.28	181.28
kfort, Rev. A. H. Arbaugh	St. Paul's	110	00	100	5			10	2	3					1 10	110	75.00	60000.00	4100.00	398.00	171.00	39.	40.	450.	50.	40.		100.	7.18	25.00	2025.00
ben (Vacant)	First English	180	125	258	11	4	3	4	1			5	2		1 10	90	90.00	10000.00	1200.00	104.34	10.43	12.17	12.18						80.00	208.80	1048.99
	St. John's	90	05	150	11		3	11	8				0		1 12	107	114.00	5000.00	1070.40	50.80	5.64	4.82	5.04		19.64	8.82	57.00	8.50	15.12	218.12	1418.12
ger, Rev J H. Wannemacher	Lost Creek	67	58	80	3	0	1								1 14	60	45.00	6000.00	025.00	40.80	11.97	3.83	4.47	10.00	9.18		115.00		7.50	208.81	883.81
	Zion's	20	19	25	1								7					1200.00	78.48	18.24	3.90	4.25	4.20				26.00			55.74	134.22
ayette, Rev. E. D. S. Boyer	Holy Trinity	75	53	100	8	12		13	1	10	1	1	32		1 11	75	55.00	8500.00	600.00	35.55	3.55	4.15	4.15		5.07		6.00		12.02		
hawaka, Rev. L. W. Steckel	First English	00	40	102	8	5		2		1	1	3		8	1 10	85	71.29	17000.00	780.00	27.00	8.15	9.70	8.15	10.00	15.50		187.50		7.25	208.25	989.00
berry, Rev. W. J. Selberling	Zion's	102		207	5	10	4	14	7	5		4	1		1 21	200		12000.00	650.00	80.03	70.03	8.01	10.03				70.00		17.00	184.70	834.70
	Fair Haven	102	130	200	10		4	14				3	1		1 17	117		8600.00	408.15	32.14	8.21	9.58	9.50				15.00		15.15	189.05	607.80
	St. John's	88	80	40		8	8	0	1			1		1	1 12	00	81.50	2400.00	271.18	14.40	1.78	1.44	1.79				40.00		1.10	60.40	881.55
	Emanuel	40	32	03	1	0				2					1 10	55	27.00	2300.00	258.05	20.25	2.80	2.02	2.37				50.00		1.24	78.24	336.29
berry, Rev. H. J. Mathias	St. Peter's	40	30	75	3	0	1					1			1 9	50	15.00	2000.00	212.00	25.53	2.55	2.98	2.98		4.00				8.15	41.19	253.11
	Mt. Zion's	49	32	15	1	3						2			1 0	40	14.00	800.00	340.00	28.80	2.83	3.30	3.31		5.40				7.80	55.04	395.04
hester, Rev. G. F. Dittmar	St. Paul's	75	66	08	2		1	1	1			1	2		1 8	40	30.00	2400.00	1380.87	41.65	4.10	4.85	4.84							180.85	1601.02
th Bend, Rev. C. A. Dennig	St. John's	32	25	52	1							1						1250.00	421.00	18.89	1.83	2.15	2.15				125.85			64.52	485.52
cuse, Rev. H. N. Thompson	Holy Trinity	100	06	183	7	12			14			2	1		1 15	105	117.23	8500.00	050.00	37.35	10.45	4.80	4.80	45.00			40.00			831.00	1281.00
dalia, Rev. S. D. Myers	Grace	42	42																								22.75	196.78			
	St. Paul's	39	33	44	5			2							1 7	57		7000.00													
lace, Rev. I. Whitman	St. James'	130	130		20			18	8	1		1	8	9	1 0	42	20.00	1000.00	205.00	10.65	1.94	1.07	1.94							23.20	285.20
	Phanuel	120	70	150	3	16	1	1	2	2		1			1 16	150	160.00	14000.00	1144.81	73.26	17.27	7.82	8.55	105.00	44.	60.		25.00	80.00	370.40	1515.21
	Emanuel	31	21												1 7	73	45.42	4000.00	032.00	63.82	0.38	7.45	7.45	46.00	10.00		274.00		15.42	430.52	1009.52
	Philadel'a	10	12															400.00	60.45	17.20	1.72	2.01	2.01							26.52	80.97
gler, Rev. N. Matthels	Union	112	80	150	5		4	7	1				3		1 0	40	8.00	400.00	52.00	12.21	1.22	1.42	1.43							16.28	68.28
	Wheeler	10	14	35	1		3	1										1500.00	400.00	49.50	.50			5.00			74.	10.00		180.00	450.
	Union	20		24		8												1200.00	155.00									15.00			175.00
estown, Rev. C. L. Warstler	Salem	110	85									0			1 12	42	04.05	000.00	60.00	10.54	1.00	1.23	1.23							14.00	04.00
	St. Mark's	140	102	154		10	2	1		1		2			1 15	120	85.00	5000.00	200.00											80.50	289.50
	St. James'	80	67	80								4	3	8	1 8	90	22.00	10500.00	533.70	81.03	8.10	9.45	9.40	15.00			89.50			229.14	763.14
dale												1		1				4000.00	456.84	48.88	5.70	4.88	5.70				100.40			153.76	610.00
		6081	3348	10219	304	887	87	241	166	30	02	72	209	19	40	2502	2042.00	[illegible]	[illegible]								88.60				

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